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BIRTHS.

BERRY—December 25, 1937, at The Rock, Middleton, County Cork, to Mr. and Mrs. Rowan Berry, a son.

CHANCE—December 28, 1937, at the Harcourt Nursing Home, to Noreen, wife of Dr. Oliver Chance, The Observatory, Dunsink, County Dublin, a daughter.

FORSYTH—December 13, 1937, at Hatch street Nursing Home, to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Forsyth, of 2 Temple Crescent, Blackrock, the gift of a daughter.

HARRISON—December 13, 1937, to Mabel (nee Browne), wife of Dr. Geoffrey J. Harrison, Eastcote, Winwick, Warrington, a son.

KING—December 3, 1937, at 15 Hatch street, to Noreen (nee Johnston), wife of A. W. King, a son.

METHOLD—December 28, 1937, at 39 Ballygunge, Circular road, Calcutta, to Molly (nee Jones), wife of J. H. Methold, a girl.

MYLES—December 26, 1937, at Laverton, Western Australia, to Dr. and Mrs. G. L. Myles, a son.

O'GRADY—December 23, 1937, at Leinster Nursing Home, Dublin, to Sheila, wife of James A. O'Grady, Enfield, County Meath, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

HUGGARD and WOODS—November 30, 1937, at Abbey street Methodist Church, Dublin, by the Rev. J. Bertenshaw, Walter, second son of Mr. and Mrs. James Huggard, Liscombe House, Ashdale road, Terenure, to Laura, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woods, Judemont, Mount Prospect avenue, Dalymount, Dublin.

MOLYNEUX and BAILEY—December 24, 1937, at St. Olat's Church, Waterford, by the Dean of Waterford, Desmond, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Molyneux, of 7 Brigiton terrace, Sandycove, to Riva Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Dr. F. W. and Mrs. Bailey, of 7 The Mall, Waterford.

PEGUM and STRITCH—December 23, 1937, at Lisdeenaw Parish Church, by Rev. Canon McTighe, LL.D., assisted by Rev. A. T. A. Ford, M.A. (uncle of the bride), Bernard Pegum, R.E., Safford, to Frances Ellen (Nesbo), daughter of the late Captain George Seymour Stritch, Connaught Rangers.

WILSON and MORSE—December 20, 1937, at St. Victor's Church, Dublin, by Rev. T. J. Johnston, M.A., Thomas George, son of the late Samuel Wilson, Drumnisk, Killaica, County Armagh, to Charlotte Elizabeth, youngest daughter of D. S. Morse, Hotel, Sandycove, Dun Laoghaire.

DEATHS.

CAMPBELL—December 26, 1937, at Carric-na-Rone, Portrush, Jane E. Campbell, second daughter of the late David Campbell, Camagh, Keady, and Mrs. Campbell, Portrush.

DOYLE—December 29, 1937, at a Private Nursing Home, Dublin, Mary, relict of the late Michael J. Doyle, Baltinglass. Deeply and deservedly regretted by her loving children and grandchildren. R.I.P. Remains leave Dublin for St. Joseph's Church, Baltinglass, at 3 o'clock to-day (Thursday). Funeral arrangements later.

GILTRAP—December 28, 1937, at his residence, Lucan, Henry William Giltrap, younger son of Henry Brown Giltrap. Funeral from St. Andrew's Church to Esker Cemetery, 1 o'clock this day (Thursday).

KEARNEY—December 29, 1937, at his sister's residence, 14 Rathgar avenue, Dublin, John Henry, third son of the late James Kearney, Grovefield, Crumlin road, Dublin. Funeral, 9.30 a.m., to-morrow (Friday) to Crumlin.

KEENAN—December 29, 1937, at her residence, St. Mary's, Novarra road, Bray, Anne, widow of the late John Keenan, eldest and last surviving daughter of Nicholas and Margaret Ledwidge. Deeply regretted by her sons, daughters and grandchildren. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer this (Thursday) evening at 6.30 o'clock. Funeral to Kilmacanogue Cemetery, after Requiem Mass, to-morrow (Friday) morning at 10 o'clock.

LEE—December 28, 1937, at Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth, London, Michael, eldest son of the late Patrick and Mrs. Lee, Earl street, Longford. Remains will arrive in Longford this (Thursday) morning by train. Low and High Mass at 11 a.m. in St. Mel's Cathedral. Funeral at 2.30 p.m. same day to Ballymacormack. English, American, Australian, and Canadian papers please copy.

LYNCH—December 29, 1937, at Crossfield, Kilconly, Tuam, Victor Douglas, seventh son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Lynch, aged 19 years (after one year's illness). "At rest." Funeral, Kilconly, to-day (Thursday), 3 o'clock.

MacQUAID—December 28, 1937, at his residence, Clare Castle, after a brief illness, Philip J. MacQuaid, Clare and Newry, Sheriff, County Clare, to the great sorrow of his wife, son, relatives and friends. R.I.P. Remains were removed to Clare Castle Church at 6 p.m. yesterday (Wednesday). Requiem Mass to-day (Thursday) at 9 a.m. Remains will be removed by road after Mass to the Church of the Sacred Heart, Clohogue, Newry, arriving about 6 p.m. Solemn Requiem Mass at Clohogue to-morrow (Friday) at 12 noon. Funeral immediately afterwards to family burial ground, St. Mary's Cemetery, Newry.

MEAGHER—December 28, 1937, at Parochial House, St. Mary's, Irvine, Ayrshire, Scotland, Very Rev. Martin Canon Meagher, P.P., son of the late Daniel Meagher, Templemore, Tipperary. Deeply regretted. R.I.P.

MORTON—December 28, 1937, at a Private Nursing Home Dublin, Digby W. Morton, late of 20 Belgrave square, Dublin. Funeral private.

PAKENHAM—December 27, 1937, after a short illness, Hon. Edward Michael Pakenham, late Major the Coldstream Guards, of 19 Norfolk Street, Park Lane, London, W., aged 71. Service at St. George's, Hanover Square, London, W. 1, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday. Funeral private.

SAYER—December 28, 1937, Violet, of Sraleu, Merton Drive, Dublin, only daughter of late Mowbray and Eliza Sayer. Funeral strictly private.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 6.

ACKNOWLEDGEMNTS.

Mrs. Hall, Iola, Winton avenue, Rathgar, and family return sincere thanks to all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement.

RYAN—The sisters, brother, and relatives of the late Patrick Ryan return sincere thanks to all those who sympathised with them in their trouble, also to those who sent Mass cards, and hope this acknowledgment will be accepted in grateful appreciation.

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MASON—In loving memory of our dear mother, Harriett Jane Mason, who died on 29th December, 1937, at 1, Patrick's Close. "Safe in the arms of Jesus." Inserted by her loving sons and daughters-in-law, Joe, Sam, Kathleen, and Mollie.

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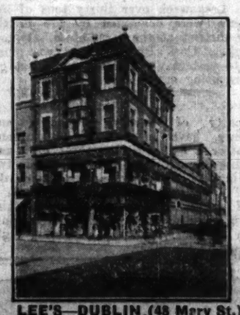

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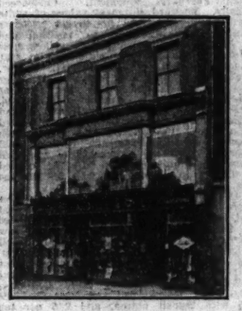

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Writing on this subject in the *Weekly Irish Times* the Poultry Correspondent says:

The mistake is often made of breeding from immature stock, and in turkey-rearing this is accountable for much of the loss. The best type of birds for the breeding pen are two or even three-year-old turkey hens with a well grown, mature cockerel, or a two or three years old male bird with really good pullets that were hatched early. The former combination, however, is generally the more satisfactory, but may not be always possible. In selecting the cockerel pick one with a long, broad body, with good depth in breast and a long, straight keel. Leggy birds should be avoided, because they are not likely to produce good table birds. The male bird should weigh at least 22lb. at Christmas, and in the case of an older bird the minimum weight should be 28lb. The hen should be of medium size, but should belong to a strain of large birds. They should weigh from 14lb. to 16lb. Very heavy hens will not make good breeders. It will be necessary to maintain the stock birds in good, hard condition, not fat or flabby, making sure they have plenty of exercise are always active. The male birds should be changed each year, and a guarantee should be obtained when purchasing that they are from healthy stock and from a reliable strain. The local poultry instructor can be of great help in a matter like this. The number of birds to each male may be from eight to twelve, in cases where they are allowed to run together. Where they are not allowed to run together, a good, vigorous bird may suffice for twenty hens, at least. In this connection it is important to note that one mating is sufficient to fertilise the whole batch of eggs.

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THE AMERICAN MARKETS

LATE RECOVERY ON WALL STREET

GAINS TOUCH THREE DOLLARS

From Reuter's Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

The renewed attack on "big business" by the Assistant Attorney-General (Mr. Robert H. Jackson) has so far had no effect on the Stock market. However, the Government's attitude towards business and the trust-breaking status is a subject of much discussion, with many Wall street circles believing that the whole question savours of an effort to "draw smoke" from the causes of the business recession and to offer the country an excuse for the whole matter. Sales totalled 2,480,000 shares.

Prices at the opening were steady. Some Armaments issues early edged forward on the prospects of a larger naval building programme, but, with confidence still shaken, movements elsewhere were narrowly irregular.

The brokers reported that the selling was largely from investment rather than from margin accounts. The Motor section was still depressed, and Chrysler and General Motors touched new low levels for the year. The Rails pursued an irregular trend on an estimate of the November net operating income at 34,000,000 dollars, compared with 72,000,000 dollars for November last year.

With the "ticker" lagging three minutes behind, good support appeared in the late dealings, reducing or erasing many of the earlier losses. Virtually all groups participated in the recovery under the leadership of the Steels, Coppers, Aviations and Chemicals. The market closed firm, with many gains of anything to three dollars.

Sterling exchange opened 1/8c. up at 4.99 7/8, but dropped to 4.99 1/2 during the morning. The rate remained at this level in the afternoon, but finally advanced and closed 1/8 higher, compared with the previous close, at 4.99 7/8.

Silver was unchanged at 44 3/4.

	Wed Steady	Tue Steady
Call Money		
London Cables	4.99 7/8	4.99 3/4
London 60 days' sight	4.99 1/4	4.99 1/4
London Bankers' do.	4.99 1/2	4.99 1/2
London Com. do.	4.99 1/2	4.99 1/2
Montreal Cables	5.00 7/8	5.00 1/2
Paris Cables	3.39 1/4	3.39 1/2

Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid Wed	Tue
37	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	37	34
22 1/8	Do. Preferred	22 1/8	22 1/8
9 7/8	Baltimore and Ohio	9 7/8	9 5/8
7 3/8	Canadian Pacific	7 3/8	7 1/2
—	Illinois Central	—	—
49	Louisville and Nashville	49	49 1/4
16 3/4	New York Central & Hudson R.	16 3/4	16 3/8
185 5/8	Norfolk and West Com.	185 1/4	185 1/2
21	Pennsylvania Shares	21	20 3/4
18 3/8	Reading Shares	18 3/8	18 3/8
18 1/2	Southern Pacific	18 1/2	18
11 1/8	Southern Railway	11 1/8	11
81 1/16	Union Pacific	81	84
80 1/16	Do. Preferred	80	80 1/2
	INDUSTRIALS.		
162 1/4	Allied Chemical	162	160
19	American Loco.	19	19
68 1/4	American Can.	68 1/4	69 1/4
45 1/4	American Smelting	45 1/4	45
12 1/8	American Radiator	12 1/8	12
143 5/16	American Tel. and Tel.	143 1/4	144 1/2
61 1/2	American Tobacco B	61 1/2	59
29 7/8	Anaconda Copper	29 7/8	28 1/8
3	Auburn Auto	3	3 1/4
57 1/4	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	57 1/4	53 7/8
84 13/16	Case (J. I.)	84 3/4	—
48 1/4	Chrysler Corporation	48 1/4	48 1/2
21 5/8	Consol. Edison Co. (New York)	21 5/8	21 3/4
156 1/2	Eastman Kodak	156	159 1/2
40 7/8	General Electric	40 7/8	40 1/2
29 1/2	General Motors	29 1/2	30
43 7/8	International Nickel	43 7/8	42 5/8
5 5/8	Do. Telephone & Telegraph	5 5/8	5 3/4
35	Kennecott Copper	35	33 3/4
25 1/2	Macy (R. H.)	25 1/2	26
18 5/8	McKeesport Tinplate	18 5/8	18 1/2
6 1/4	McKesson and Robbins	6 1/2	6 1/4
31	Montgomery Ward	31	30 3/8
4	Packard Motors	4	4 1/8
—	People's Gas	—	—
5 3/4	Radio Corporation	5 3/4	5 7/8
16 1/4	Shell Union Oil	16 1/4	16 1/4
4 1/2	Studebaker	4 1/2	4 7/8
9 3/4	Timken Detroit Axle	9 3/4	10
22 1/2	U.S. Rubber	22 1/2	22
53 3/4	United States Steel Common	53 3/4	52 1/8
105 5/16	Do. Preferred	105 1/4	106
—	Warner Bros. Pictures	—	—
23 3/4	Westinghouse Air B	23 3/4	24 1/2
34	Woolworth Company	34	34 5/8
—	Silver Commercial Bars	44 3/4	44 3/4
12 5/8	Brazilian Traction	12 5/8	12 1/8
26 1/8	Brit. American Tobacco Coupon	26 1/8	26 5/8
4 3/4	Hydro. Electric	4 3/4	4 7/8
—	Technicolour Incorporated	—	—
	BONDS.		
110 9/16	U.S. Treasury 3 3/4% Bds., '46-56	110 1/2	—
30 1/4	7% German External Loan	30 1/4	30 1/4

DOW JONES AVERAGES

	20 Rails.	30 Indus.	20 Util.
December 29	29.15	120.15	19.88
Previous day	28.91	118.93	19.97
Last year	52.26	177.60	34.40

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv.	—	Closing Bid Wed	Tues
162 7/8	Bell Telephone Co. of Canada	163	160
12 3/4	Brazilian T.L. and P. Co.	12 3/4	12 5/8
33 1/2	British Columbia Power "A"	33 1/2	34 1/2
5	Do. "B"	5	5
8 3/4	Can. Car and Foundry Co.	8 3/4	9 1/8
18 1/4	Do. Preferred	18 1/4	18
16	Canadian Celanese Com.	16	16
96 7/8	Do. do. Pref.	100	100
9 3/4	Canada Cement Co.	9 3/4	9 3/4
96 7/16	Do. Preferred	96 1/2	96 1/2
4	Can. Indus. Alcohol Com.	4	4 1/8
3 1/2	Do. "B"	3 1/2	3 3/4
7 5/8	Canadian Pacific Railway	7 5/8	7 1/2
8	Cockshutt Plow Co.	8	8 5/8
53 15/16	Con. Mining and Smelting	54	55
29	Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.	29	29
64 15/16	Dominion Textiles Co.	65	69
12 5/8	Hollinger Cons. Gold Mines	12 5/8	12 5/8
17	Imperial Oil, Ltd.	17	17 1/4
43 15/16	Inter. Nickel of Canada	44	42 3/4
28	International Petroleum	28	28
6 1/8	Massey Harris Co.	6 1/8	6 1/4
29	Montreal Light, Heat	29	29
50 3/16	Do. Debs.	50 1/4	50 1/4
36 15/16	National Brewers, Ltd.	37	37
30 1/2	National Steel Car Corp.	30 1/2	31 3/4
215 7/8	Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Ltd.	216	220
13 1/4	Power Corporation of Canada	13 1/4	14
16 1/4	Quebec Power Corporation	16 1/4	16 1/8
19	Shawinigan Water	19	20
13 1/4	Southern Canada Power	13 1/4	13 1/4
64 15/16	Steel Co. of Canada	65	65
199 13/16	Bank Montreal	200	200
294 11/16	Bank Nova Scotia	296	296
167 7/8	Can. Bank Commerce	168	168
181 7/8	Royal Bank of Canada	183	183
	CURB PRICES.		
13 1/8	Distillers Corp. Seagrams, Ltd.	13 1/8	12 1/2
39 11/16	Hiram Walker Gooderham	39 3/4	40 1/4
13 1/8	Imperial Tobacco Co. of Canada	13 1/8	13 1/4
51 3/16	Lake Shore Mines, Ltd.	51 1/4	52 1/4
38 9/16	McIntyre Porcupine Mines	38 1/2	39 3/4
51 15/16	Noranda Mines, Ltd.	52	50

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NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

Wheat—Manitobas steady, 1/2c. down. Winters easy, 1 7/8c. to 1 3/8c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot f.o.b. West St. John's	158 3/4	159 1/4
No. 1 Manitoba spot	158 3/4	159 1/4
No. 2 hard winter spot	112 5/8	114 1/2
No. 2 red winter spot	106 7/8	108 1/4

Maize easy, 1 3/8c. lower. Western No. 2 mixed spot, 75 3/4.

Oats steady at 1/4c. decline. No. 2 white (per c.i.f. New York, 44 1/2.

Rye steady at 1/2c. loss. No. 2 spot f.o.b. New York American, 94.

Barley steady at 3/8c. fall. No. 2 New York, all growths Federal inspected, 77.

Flour steady and generally unchanged. Spring clears were quoted at 5.60 to 5.70, Kansas straights 5.50, Minneapolis patents 5.75, bakers' clears 5.65, while rye flour closed at 4.95 to 5.10—all per 196lb.

Lard steady, 7 1/2 to 5 points down. Prime Western steam loose spot, 8.07 1/2; Middle West, 8.40 to 8.50.

Petroleum steady, unchanged.

Burlaps quiet. Hessian cloth, light-weight 3.80, heavy-weight 5.00.

Tallow steady. Spot extra special, 5 7/8; spot special extra, 5 1/2; spot in tierces, 6 1/8. Futures steady. Jan. 6.05 bid, 6.30 offered; March 6.00 bid, 6.14 offered; May 6.00 bid, 6.30 offered.

Cottonseed Oil—Futures closed steady, 1 point up to 1 point down. Contract basis bleachable prime summer yellow grade—Closing options—Jan. 7.03, March 7.05, May 7.09, July 7.12.

Shellac—T.N., 12 1/4.

Turpentine—Spot, 31. The Savannah market will be closed until January 2.

Straits Tin quiet, 15 points down. Closing options—March 41.10 (41.25), May 41.10 (41.25), July 41.10 (41.25), Sept. 41.10 (41.25).

American Standard Copper steady, 2 points down to unchanged. Closing options—Jan. 9.03 (9.05), March 9.05 (9.05), May 9.05 (9.05 to 9.10), July 9.07 (9.05 to 9.10), Sept. 9.05 (9.07 to 9.10).

Coffee on spot closed quiet and nominal. Rio No. 7, 6 1/4; Santos No. 4, 8 1/2. Futures opened steady, with Rio generally 3 points down and Santos 7 points lower to 5 points higher. Prices early advanced on scattered covering and outside buying on the steady Brazilian exchange and steady Havre cables. The close was steady, with Rio 4 to 2 points up, and Santos 6 to 10 points higher. Futures basis Rio No. 7—Closing options March 4.37 (4.33), May 4.22 (4.18), July 4.10 (4.06), Sept. 4.08 (4.06), Dec. 4.08 (4.06).

Cocoa—Spot, 5 5/8. Futures closed very steady, 16 to 12 points up. Closing options—Jan. 5.33 (5.17), March 5.43 (5.29), May 5.49 (5.35), July 5.56 (5.43), Sept. 5.65 (5.52), Oct. 5.69 (5.55), Dec. 5.79 (5.67).

Sugar on spot closed steady and unchanged at 320. In futures, apart from a little scattered and producer buying, the new contract was featureless, with traders awaiting new developments. The close was barely steady at 1 point to 2 points lower.

Cotton on spot closed quiet and 11 points down at 8.29. Futures opened barely steady at 9 to 14 points loss. Prices early declined on adverse Liverpool and Bombay cables and on liquidation, together with foreign selling, especially from Bombay. Nervousness over the business situation was an additional depressing factor. Selling by co-operative interests and Bombay finally appeared, but the close was steady. Quotations were 11 to 7 points lower. At New Orleans spot closed 5 points down at 8.44. Futures opened at 9 to 6 points down, and closed 5 to 2 points lower.

Rubber Futures (No. 1 contract)—Tendency steady, 34 to 36 points down. Closing options—January 14.44 (14.78), March 14.60 (14.94), May 14.69 (15.04), July 14.78 (15.14), September 14.88 (15.24), October 14.93 (15.29). Outside prices—Tendency quiet, but steady. First latex thin crepe spot 14 13/16 buyers; smoked ribbed sheets spot 14 5/16 buyers, 14 7/16 sellers; do. Jan.-Feb.-March 14 7/16 buyers; do. April-May-June 14 5/8 buyers, 14 3/4 sellers.

(Previous prices in parentheses.)

WINNIPEG GRAINS

Wheat opened steady and unchanged. Following some uncertainty, prices eased under increased selling and in sympathy with Chicago, with an absence of export interest. The December option firmed on evening up, together with covering and the strength of cash premiums. Grain circles doubted the rumour that Great Britain was taking options on the Canadian wheat crop in order to safeguard her food supply. A denial reported from official sources in Ottawa had no effect on the market. The close was irregular at 7/8c. higher to 1/2c. lower. Opening options—May 118 1/4 (118), July 111 1/8 (111 1/4). Closing options—Dec. 130 3/8 (129 3/4), May 117 3/4 (118 1/4), July 110 3/4 (111 1/8).

Oats steady, 1/8c. down to unchanged. Closing options—Dec. 48 3/4 (48 7/8), May 47 (47), July 44 1/4 (44 3/8).

Rye barely steady, 7/8c. to 1/4c. lower. Closing options—Dec. 75 3/8 (76 1/4), May 77 1/4 (77 7/8), July 76 1/4 (76 1/2).

Barley steady and unchanged. Closing options—Dec. 60 1/2 (60 1/2), May 59 7/8 (59 7/8), July 57 1/8 (57 1/8).

Linseed steady, 1/4c. to 1c. up. Closing options—Dec. 171 1/2 (171 1/4), May 172 1/2 (171 1/2).

(Previous prices in parentheses.)

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS

Kansas City.—Wheat barely steady, unchanged. Spot 3/4c. and May 1c. lower. No. 2 hard winter spot 98 1/8. Closing options—May 87 5/8, July 81 3/8.

Minneapolis.—Wheat barely steady, with spot and May 7/8c. down. No. 1 Northern spring spot 106. Closing options—May 99, July 96.

ARGENTINE GRAINS

Buenos Aires.—Wheat steady, 5 to 7 points higher. Maize steadier, 18 to 15 points dearer. Oats steady and unchanged. Linseed quiet, 1 to 8 points cheaper.

Rosario.—Wheat steady, 4 to 2 points higher. Maize steady; February 9 points dearer. Linseed quiet at 9 points loss.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Wheat opened steady at 1/8c. to 1/4c. up, and closed barely steady at 1 1/8c. to 1/4c. loss. No. 2 hard winter spot 95 1/4 (98 1/4). Opening options—May 91 1/4 (92 1/4), July 85 1/4 (86 1/4). Closing options—May 90 1/2 to 90 1/4 (91 1/4 to 91 1/2), July 85 1/4 to 85 (85 1/2 to 85 3/4).

Maize opened steady, with values unchanged at 1/8c. up, and closed steady, with prices generally unchanged. Opening options—May 61 1/4 (61 1/4), July 60 3/4 (60 3/4). Closing options—May 61 1/4 (61 1/4), July 60 3/4 (60 3/4).

Oats closed steady, with prices unchanged at 1/8c. down. Closing options—May 30 1/4 (30 1/4), July 29 (29 1/4).

Rye closed steady, but generally 1/4c. lower. No. 2 spot 76 1/4. Closing options—May 71 (71 1/4), July 66 1/4 (67 1/4).

Barley nominal.

Lard opened steady; prices declined under pressure and in sympathy with hogs and grains. The market closed barely steady, with futures 7 1/2 to 2 1/2 points lower. Spot lost 7 1/2 points. Prime Western steam loose spot 7.62 1/2 (7.70). Closing options—December 7.90 (7.95), January 8.02 1/2 (8.10), May 8.55 (8.57 1/2), July 8.67 1/2 (8.70).

Bacon—Dry salted bellies steady and unchanged. Fat backs easy and 25 points lower. Fat backs 9.50 (9.75).

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GLASGOW.—378 home-fed cattle offered, and quality very good. Last prices were again realised, extreme top bullocks making 56/-, current 48/- to 54/-, heavy and secondary 42/- upwards per live cwt. 2,878 sheep penned. Ewes again scarce and active inquiry, other classes also in request. Down lambs to 65/-, crosses to 56/6, half-breds to 52/-; half-bred ewes 52/-, crosses to 48/-, Cheviots to 44/6, blackfaced to 37/6.

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (BALTIC).—WHEAT—The cargo section remained quiet and featureless, with prices occasionally the turn easier on disappointing overnight foreign cables, and continued liberal offers of new crop Australian. Meanwhile buyers show no disposition to resume operations, and holiday conditions were still in evidence. White Pacific January sellers 35/6, Australian afloat January to March 36/6, Rosafe (63½lb.) December 40/-, January-February 39/6. Parcels quietly steady; No. 2 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) December-January sellers 53/6, No. 3 do. 46/9, No. 4 do. 43/6; No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Vancouver) January 54/6, No. 2 do. 52/6, No. 3 do. 45/3, No. 4 do. 43/1½; white Pacific January 35/-, No. 1 dark hard winter Gulf January 41/-, No. 2 do. 39/6; South Australian, also Victorian December 37/-; Western Australian December 37/6, Rosafe (63½lb.) afloat 39/9, January February 39/3; Russian on sample December-January 41/9 per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. terms. MAIZE cargoes quiet and rather easier, despite absence of Argentine offers. No. 2 yellow American (Gulf) January sellers 28/10½, February 28/9. Parcels steadily held; Plate December sellers 31/9, January 32/-, May new 26/- per quarter of 480lb. c.i.f. BARLEY steady; parcels of No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) January sellers 28/9, No. 3 Canadian (Vancouver) January-February 27/6, Iraqian Jnuary-February 26/3, Plate January-February 26/1½ per quarter of 400lb. c.i.f. OATS rather easier; parcels of Plate f.a.q. January-February sellers 16/-, No. 1 Canadian feed (Vancouver) December 23/9, January 23/- per quarter of 320lb. c.i.f.

MARK LANE CORN.—The mid-weekly market was poorly attended and business restricted, but prices ruled firm to dearer for most cereals. WHEAT—Canadian firmer, but others steady. No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Atlantic) 58/3, No. 2 ditto 55/9, No. 3 ditto 48/9, No. 4 ditto 46/9, Australian 38/9 to 39/6. Russian on sample 46/9 per quarter of 496lb. English at farm new 37/- to 38/- per quarter of 504lb. FLOUR quiet. London straight run 36/6 for delivery in home counties and 36/- inner London area. Country straights 29/- delivered. Manitoba patents 38/6 to 40/-, Australian 30/- to 30/6 per sack of 280lb. (excluding quota payment of 6d. per sack). MAIZE again dearer on continued scarcity of first-hand offers. Plate landed 33/3, ex ship 32/3, December 32/9, January 33/-, February 33/3. No. 3 yellow American (Atlantic) landed 31/-, ex ship 30/- per quarter of 480lb. Yellow maize meal £8 5/- to £8 7/6, ex mill African mixed landed £7 12/6, white £7 10/-, yellow £7 17/6, ditto ex ship £7 12/6, mixed ex ship £7 7/6, cooked flaked maize £8 10/- to £8 15/- per ton. BARLEY steady. No. 3 Canadian Western (Atlantic) landed 30/6, ex ship 29/6. Calcutta landed 30/- per quarter of 400lb. Californian old ex store 47/- to 52/-, ex ship 43/- to 54/-. Chilian brewing 43/- to 46/- per quarter of 448lb. English malting 55/- to 65/- per quarter of 448lb. OATS maintained. No. 1 Canadian feed (Atlantic) landed 26/6, No. 2 ditto 26/3, mixed feed (Vancouver) landed 24/9, ditto (Atlantic) 23/3 per quarter of 320lb. English 26/- to 27/- per quarter of 336lb. MILLERS' FEATFEED steady. Broad digestive bran 8/6 to 9/-, ordinary 8/-, weatings 8/4½ to 8/9, ground oats 10/1½ to 10/6 per cwt. ex mill.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT—With easier Chicago cables forward deliveries of wheat here gave way fairly at the outset, then fluctuated slightly for some time, recovered moderately, with some little inquiry for Manitobas, but discouraging late afternoon American cables further gave way, and, though finishing slightly over worst point, marked a liberal decline on the day. C.i.f. parcels little altered. No. 3 Manitoba shipping sold at 46/1½ to Liverpool and first half January at 45/1½ to 45/3 to Manchester; Australian afloat quoted 36/6, choice white Karachi afloat 37/3 per quarter. C.i.f. parcels River Plate maize due sold at 31/1½. December 31/1½ and 31/3 per quarter. WHEAT on the spot quiet and unchanged. MAIZE—Spot parcels steady at 6/10 to 6/10½ per cental for River Plate. FLOUR quiet and unaltered. Graded wheat futures opened ½d. per cental lower, then fluctuated moderately, closing quiet the turn over worst point, but ½d. to ⅞d. under previous night. Values—December 7/6, March 7/2⅝, May 7/3⅝, July 7/4⅛ per cental. Sales—125 loads.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—BACON—The holiday feeling is still prevalent in all departments. Continental attracts little attention, but Danish is held for an occasional slight premium, and other selections at official prices. Danish 96/- to 104/-, Swedish and Dutch 92/- to 98/-, Polish 89/- to 96/- per cwt. Canadian Wiltshires quiet at 87/- to 91/- for lean, 85/- to 89/- prime, and Irish steady at 90/- to 94/- cwt. HAMS steady but quiet, unchanged. LARD on the spot gave way 6d. per cwt. owing to easier c.i.f. rates and disappointing demand. American prime steam 49/- to 50/-, refined 50/- to 52/-, Argentine 49/- to 50/-, and Canadian 50/- to 52/- per cwt. BUTTER also quiet, and Australian 1/- easier, and now offered at 112/- to 115/- per cwt. EGGS quietly steady and unaltered. Northern specials 20/6, standard 19/6 selected 18/9, duck 19/6; English new laid standard 19/6 per 120.

SMITHFIELD POULTRY AND GAME.—Market quietly steady. Quotations:—Surrey chicken 10d. to 1/9, country 9d. to 1/6, Northern Irish 1/- to 1/3, Irish Free State 11d. to 1/2, Dutch 1/3 to 1/4, Hungarian, also Polish, 11d. to 1/-; English hens old 8½d. to 9½d., Irish 7½d. to 8½d.; country ducks 1/1 to 1/2, Aylesbury 1/2 to 1/3; English turkeys 1/6 to 1/9, Northern Irish 1/4 to 1/5 per lb.; pheasants 1/6 to 3/3, partridges 3/- to 3/3, old 1/-; hares 3/6 to 4/- each. Eggs—English, ordinary packing, grade 1, 15lb.-15½lb. 20/- to 20/6, grade 2, 14lb.-14½lb. 19/6 to 19/9 per 120.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT.—Supplies to market:—1,501 tons, being 435 tons British and Irish produce and 1,066 tons imported. BEEF (national mark prices)—English longsides select 5/- to 5/4, do. prime 4/10 to 5/-, do. good 4/8 to 4/10. General prices (including national mark)—English longsides 4/8 to 5/4, do. hindquarters, forerib and flank 4/10 to 5/6. PORK—English, under 10st. 6/8 to 7/4, do 10 to 15st. 6/- to 6/8, do. 15 to 20st. 5/4 to 5/10, do. over 20st. 4/10 to 5/2; Irish 15st. and under 5/10 to 7/-.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE—Light arrivals. Demand equal to an early clearance at: York cabbage, 10/- to 25/- large load small, 6/- to 12/-; Savoy, large, 8/- to 15/-; small, 6/- to 10/-; swedes, 10d. to 1/- per cwt.; mangolds, 10d.; beet, 1/- doz. bunches; leeks, 1/6 to 2/-; celery, 1/- to 2/6 bunch; turnips, 3d. to 6d.; thyme, 1/- to 1/6 doz.; rhubarb, 3/- to 4/-, and sprouts 1/4 chip.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Fair supplies, with demand steady at 4/- to 4/9 per cwt., according to class.

DUBLIN FISH.—Small supplies totalled 51 boxes from one steam trawler, four chests lobsters, 80 boxes herrings, and a small amount from country and local senders. Demand fair at: Lobsters, 20/- to 23/ per 13 large medium, 10/- to 15/-; small, 4/- to 6/-; soles, 25/- to 34/- per 9 pairs large; medium, 10/- to 15/-; slips, 4/- to 8/-; turbot, 2/- to 13/- each; brill, 1/- to 2/-; herrings, 13/- to 25/- box; plaice, 30/- to 63/- half box; cod, 17/6 to 40/-; whiting, 6/- to 43/-; ray, 14/- to 25/- and haddock 17/- to 32/-.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—British makes dull, unchanged. Raws 96 per cent. afloat to the U.K. sellers 6/1½ c.i.f. Terminal slow; March sold 6/2¼, May 6/3¼ per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market dull, unchanged. COCOA market quiet. Accra G/F Feb.-April sellers 24/9 per 50 kilos c.i.f. Terminal—Jan. and March sold 25/6, Sept. 25/9 per cwt. SPICE—Pepper idle. Lampong black Jan.-March 2 7/16d., March-May 2 9/16d., white Muntok 3 3/4d. c.i.f. Terminal neglected, with black slightly weaker, but white unchanged. Cloves dull. Madagascar Dec.-Jan. 5 7/8d. per lb. c.i.f. sellers. Sago Flour 8/9 per cwt. c.i.f. RUBBER market depressed. Sheet spot and Jan. quoted 6 13/16d., Feb. buyers 6 13/16d., April-June sold 7 1/8d. to 7 1/16d., July-Sept. 7 3/16d. to 7 1/8d. Oct.-Dec. buyers 7 1/4d. per lb.; spot and Jan. closed buyers 6 13/16d., Feb. 7d., April-June 7 1/16d., July-Sept. 7 1/8d. HEMP—Manila qualities quiet, but very firm on continued reserved offers. SISAL—Market for African dull unchanged.

JUTE market dull and easier, with rather depressing cable advices from Calcutta. Firsts Dec.-Jan. sold £18 12/6, Jan.-Feb. £18 13/9, Feb.-March £18 15/-; Lightnings Dec.-Jan. sold £17 17/6, Hearts sellers £17, Daisee £16 18/9, Tossa sold £18, closing sellers £17 18/9 c.i.f. Calcutta gunnies quiet; 10oz. Dec. and Jan.-March 16/11½, 8oz. Dec. 13/2½, Jan.-March 13/3½. Liverpool twills 46/9 and 46/10½, B both positions 41/3 c.i.f. SHELLAC market quiet. T.N. spot 43/- to 46/-. March sold 43/6, closing sellers 44/-; May sellers 45/-, Jan.-Feb. c.i.f. 43/-.

OILS—Linseed quiet. Spot (small lots) sellers 30/3, Jan. 27/7½, Feb.-April 27/9, May-Aug. 27/10½, Sept.-Dec. 28/1½. Rape dull. Crude spot 36/-, refined 37/-. Cotton maintained. Crude Egyptian naked spot 20/6, common edible 24/-, deodorised barrels 28/6. Soya slow. English crude naked spot 27/-, deodorised barrels 33/6. Cocoanut idle. Ceylon white drums spot 23/-, Jan. 19/9, English deodorised barrels spot 30/-. Groundnut quiet. English crude naked spot 28/6, deodorised barrels 36/6. Turpentine steadier. American spot 31/9, Jan.-April 32/6. Rosin steady. American grade B 14/-, F/G 14/9 per cwt.

OILSEEDS—Linseed quiet and barely steady. Plate to Hull Dec. sellers £12 12/6, Jan. £12 10/-, Feb. £12 8/9; Calcutta to London Dec. £15 1/3, Jan. £15; Bombay to London Dec. and Jan. £15 2/6. Rapeseed quiet. Toria to Hull Jan.-Feb. £14 3/9. Cotton easier. Egyptian black to Hull Dec. £5 12/6, Jan. to March £5 13/9. Groundnuts dull and weak. Coromandel to the Continent Dec. to Feb. £11 10/-, March £11 11/3, April £11 12/6. Castorseed steady. Bombay to Hull Jan.-Feb. £14 2/6. Soya Beans dull. Manchurian to the Continent Dec. £8, Jan. and Feb. £7 18/9 per ton c.i.f.

LIVERPOOL.—CANE SUGAR continues steady. Sellers basis 96 deg. pol. parcels 6/1¼ afloat and 6/2¼ per cwt. January-February shipment, both c.i.f. to U.K. Refined descriptions steady, without quotable change. COCOA—The spot demand for West African continues very quiet. Forward shipment positions remain quietly steady. Sellers new crop good fermented Accra at 24/3, and new crop Lagos f.a.q. at 21/9, with buyers of both descriptions at 6d. less, January-March February-April shipments c.i.f. Continent per 50 kilos. JAPANESE PEAS continue steady, but quiet, without quotable change at £22 per ton for spot parcels in store. RICE BRAN quietly steady. Burma for February-March shipments held at £5 12/6 per ton ex-ship terms.

OIL CAKES—Forward shipments of Linseed descriptions in quiet demand, but prices rather dearer. American Linseed now quoted £8 15/-, River Plate (round) £8 15/-, and Indian Expeller £8 12/6—all c.i.f. December-January shipments. Egyptian undecorticated Cottonseed steady and unaltered at £4 12/6 ex-ship terms December-January shipment.

OILSEEDS—Linseed—River Plate new crop remains steady, but quiet, at £12 11/3 per ton for January-February shipment. Cottonseed quietly steady. Forward shipment values of white woolly sorts unaltered at £4 5/- to £4 15/- per ton ex-ship terms, according to position and quality. Palm Kernels easier, with sellers now offering January and February shipments at £11 2/6 per ton. PALM KERNEL OIL dearer. Crushers are now quoting £22 for crushed and/or extracted crude g.m.q., and £26 per ton for deodorised—all naked ex-mills Liverpool. GROUNDNUT OIL in quiet request, and quoted rather easier at £33 per ton for deodorised naked ex-mills Liverpool. COCOANUT OIL firmer, with Liverpool-made crushed crude now held at £22 naked ex-mills. Forward shipments of imported descriptions rather quieter, with £19 15/- quoted for white Ceylon in drums, and £19 5/- per ton for Straits, both c.i.f. to Liverpool.

SEED OILS—Cottonseed dearer, crushers now asking 23/- for refined edible, and 25/- deodorised net naked. Soya deodorised scarce, and quoted nominal. Linseed rather steadier at 33/- for raw and 34/6 per cwt. boiled on spot in barrels—all ex mills Liverpool. PALM OIL in quiet demand. Near shipment positions of soft oils steady, but distant easier. Sellers December-January shipment at £17 2/6, January-February £17, February-March £16 17/6, March-April and later positions £16 12/6 with transit option, and 2/6 per ton less ex quay terms. TALLOW—South American firmer on better demand from the Continent, and after business in No. 1 frigorific beefs at 22/-, further sellers now asking 22/6 c.i.f. for shipment. Australian quietly steady, with good colour mixed unaltered at 21/- to 21/6 per cwt. c.i.f. for shipment.

LONDON METALS MARKET

TIN AND COPPER AGAIN EASIER.

TIN—Market dull and values ruled easier on pressure to sell. Official quotations were 30/- to 40/- per ton lower for cash and 30/- to 35/- forward on balance. Standard cash quoted £181 to £181 10/-, three months £181 to £181 5/-; settlement £181 5/-. Sales amounted to 175 tons; three months at £181, £180 10/- and £181 5/-. English ingots quoted £181 5/-. East sold £182 10/- c.i.f. per ton. COPPER easier, with a fair trade. On balance, official quotations marked a decline of 7/6 to 8/9 per ton for cash and 8/9 forward. Standard cash quoted £38 17/6 to £39, three months £39 1/3 to £39 3/9; settlement £38 17/6. 1,100 tons changed hands; cash at £39 to £38 18/9, three months £39 to £39 10/- and £39 7/6. Electros quoted £42 to £43 10/-, wire bars £43 10/- per ton. LEAD generally quiet and easier. 500 tons sold; good soft foreign pig March £15 10/- to £15 11/3, April £15 12/6 to £15 11/3; settlement £15 15/- per ton. SPELTER met with steady support, but rates easier. 1,000 tons old December £14 18/9, January £14 15/-, March £15 to £14 17/6, April £15; settlement £15 per ton. SILVER idle; cash quoted 19¼d. to 20d., three months 19¼d. to 19¼d.; settlement 19¼d. per fine oz. ANTIMONY quietly steady; English regulus spot £80. Chinese ditto spot £60, December-January nominal, crude December-January £43 10/- per ton c.i.f.

SECOND SESSION—Tin firmer. 55 tons sold; cash at £182 5/- to £182 15/-, closing buyers £182 5/-; three months sold £181 10/-, £182 15/- and £182 5/-, closing buyers £182 15/-. Copper steadier. 250 tons sold; cash at £39 3/9, three months £39 3/9 to £39 7/6. Lead firmer. 500 tons sold; good soft foreign pig January £15 7/6, February £15 10/-, April £15 11/3; spot quoted £15 11/3. Spelter quiet. 200 tons sold; March £14 17/6, April £15; spot quoted £14 17/6.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE IN HUNGARY

EDUCATION QUALIFICATION

From Reuter's Correspondent.

BUDAPEST, Wednesday.

Universal secret suffrage and compulsory voting will be introduced in Hungary under the Government's Electoral Reform Bill, published here to-day.

The vote is given to (1) all men over 26 years of age if they have been Hungarian citizens for at least ten years, have possessed local citizenship in a parish for six years, and have attained to the sixth class in the primary school. The ability to read and write is alone sufficient qualification for ex-soldiers who served in the world war and for independent artisans, merchants or labourers who have worked for six years with the same employer; (2) all women over 30 with the same intellectual qualification as men if they are self-supporting or if their husbands possess a vote. The ability to read and write is also sufficient qualification for mothers of four living children.

All persons over 30 are eligible within the limits of certain intellectual qualifications.

Robert Sadiar, a Trinity House pilot, of Gravesend, was knocked into the sea by heavy waves when descending a ladder from the steamship Florentine to a motor boat off Margate early yesterday. His left leg was caught by the motor boat propeller and gashed before he was dragged to safety. He was taken to hospital at Margate.

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Woman Died After Fall.—At an inquest at Raheen Hospital on Mrs. O'Brien, Ryninch, who fell from her bicycle on Christmas morning, a verdict of accidental death was returned.

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Public-house Raided.—During the week-end intruders who broke into the licensed premises of Mr. John Cullen, Willbrook, Rathfarnham, stole six shillings in cash and about £20 worth of whiskey, wine, cigarettes and other goods.

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Lightship Relieved.—Nine days overdue, the remaining two Wexford coast lightships, Lucifer and Blackwater, have now been relieved by the Irish Lights Commissioners steamer Ierne. It was 23 days since a steamer visited the ships.

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Farm Implements Destroyed.—An outbreak of fire destroyed a hayshed with a large quantity of hay and farm implements, the property of Mr. Owen Corrigan, Clogher, yesterday. Cattle in an adjoining shed were saved. The fire is believed to have been caused by the fusing of an electric wire, and the damage is estimated at about £500. Police and civilians helped to fight the flames.

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Was Forty Years at Sea.—The death occurred of Mr. W. Devereux, Roserock, Wexford, who, for over thirty years prior to his retirement 18 months ago, was a quartermaster in the Rosslare-Fishguard mail boat St. Andrew. He was reputed to be the best helmsman in the service. Ten years ago he was awarded a medal by the Prince of Wales for participating in the rescue of the crew of a foreign sailing vessel which got into difficulties in a gale in Fishguard. Quartermaster Devereux was one of the old school of windjammer sailors, and was over forty years at sea.

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Heavy Postal Traffic.—The Enniskillen Post Office reported heavier traffic than usual at Christmas, 1,300 parcel bags being despatched within four days. Clear despatches were made in all mails from the Enniskillen office, and although some roads were frost-bound during the early part of the week, all mails reached their destination. On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day there was a vast increase in the number of greetings telegrams sent and received. On the peak day—22nd inst.—500 parcel bags were despatched from the Enniskillen office. A feature of the parcels traffic was the huge increase to Newtownbutler area—as many as 20 bags a day. There were three special despatches to Newtownbutler per day, instead of the usual one.

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Blarney Fire.—The licensed premises at Tower, near Blarney, Co. Cork, of Mr. John Crowley and some other houses were endangered yesterday when a rick of hay, containing about ten tons, took fire in the yard behind the licensed premises. The outbreak was observed almost immediately, and a number of neighbours assisted the Civic Guards in extinguishing the flames with buckets of water. Only slight damage was caused. Last week over thirty tons of hay and straw were destroyed by fire in the Blarney district at the farm of H. Dorgan, Coolflugh. Cork Fire Brigade was summoned to yesterday's fire, but could not go, the place being outside the city area.

A party of twenty, Japanese and Aborigines, have reached the Queensland coast, after a battle lasting three days and two nights through shark-infested seas, in two small dinghies. They were members of the crew of a Japanese lugger which struck a reef off Australia. The Japanese captain, three Japanese divers and eight Aborigines were in one boat, and the remaining eight Aborigines in the other.

ROTUNDA HOSPITAL

DR. AND MRS. DAVIDSON'S DANCE

The Rotunda Hospital was the scene of a festive gathering last evening, when the Master, Dr. Davidson, and Mrs. Davidson, held a dance, which was attended by some two hundred guests.

Dancing took place in one of the large wards, which was transformed into an attractive ballroom, with elaborate decorations of fairy lights and balloons, and with an excellent band installed.

Dr. and Mrs. Davidson received their guests in the drawingroom downstairs, where supper was served later in the night.

Mrs. Davidson wore a becoming dress of vivid royal blue chiffon, the bodice worked with an elaborate sequin applique. Mrs. Gibbon Fitzgibbon came in a smart black dress of shadow lace, with stiffened shoulder wings. Mrs. P. McDonagh wore a hyacinth-blue taffeta picture frock, trimmed with knots of cerise velvet. Mrs. Pierce Purcell's dress was of blue chiffon, with one of the fashionable over-dresses of dark red chiffon. Lady Robinson chose orange chiffon, with inset panels of dark brown chiffon, while chiffon in a lovely shade of cherry red was chosen by Mrs. Toler Grahame for her pretty ruched picture frock.

Mrs. O'Donel Brown wore a full-skirted frock of stiff black net, trimmed with self frillings. Mrs. Thrift wore a distinctive black gown, while a picture dress of black velvet was Mrs. J. Hogan's choice. Mrs. Collis came in a pretty pastel gown, and the Matron, Miss Hill, looked well in black. Mrs. E. Fletcher wore a two-piece ensemble in pastel-blue matalasse crêpe, the bodice of the frock following the new draped lines. Royal blue taffeta fashioned the striking frock, with a full skirt and ruched bodice, worn by Mrs. J. Beckett. Mrs. H. Wright wore a smart dress of strikingly-patterned red, white and black floral taffeta. Mrs. Coey Bigger's gown was of heavy white brocaded satin. Mrs. Crampton Walker came in a becoming dress of pale water-lily green crêpe. Nigger and gold shot tissue was worn by Mrs. W. Stewart, while Mrs. N. Faulkiner wore an effective dark Burgundy-red frock.

ATTENDANCE

Among those present were:—The Lord Mayor of Dublin (Alderman Byrne, T.D.), Dr. Gibbon Fitzgibbon, Dr. and Mrs. Seager, Dr. J. Cunningham, Dr. O'Donel Brown, Sir T. Robinson, Dr. R. M. Corbett, Dr. Gill, Dr. Dockeray, Dr. J. Beckett, Mr. Stewart, Miss J. Stewart, Major Jackson, Dr. N. Falkiner, Professor Pierce Purcell, Mr. Toler Grahame, Dr. Thrift, Dr. Collins, Mr. E. Fletcher, Dr. H. Wright, Miss Sheehan, Mr. J. Wallis, Dr. Quin, Mr. D. Plunket.

Professor Coey Bigger, Dr. and Mrs. Pringle, Dr. May, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. Crampton Walker, Mr. J. Smiley, Miss Patchell, Miss P. Page, Miss H. Wallis, Miss Dobbs, Mr. and Mrs. R. Newton, Dr. C. Robinson, Mr. W. Campbell, Dr. and Mrs. G. Wilson, Dr. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. S. Spratt, Dr. and Mrs. H. Quinlan, Miss Maddock.

Mr. F. Myerscough and Miss Myerscough, Dr. Steen, Mr. A. Hope, Dr. and Mrs. Abrahamson, Mr. G. Harris, Mr. McCormick, Dr. P. Fahy, Dr. Rutherford, Mr. Macauley, Dr. Tighe, Dr. and Mrs. Tait, Dr. Jessop, Miss Holmes, Dr. Speedy Bertin, Mr. and Mrs. T. Brindley, Mr. and Mrs. P. Inglis, Dr. Deane Oliver.

Mr. B. Hughes, Professor and Mrs. Pearson, Judge and Mrs. Davitt, Dr. Merrick, Dr. de Courcy Wheeler, Mr. P. Sandys, Mr. J. Hogan, Miss Mackey, Mr. J. Gore-Grimes, Miss Magee, M. Jean Bertin, Mr. R. Greene and Miss Greene, Miss Bamber, Miss E. Kerslake, Miss J. Aston, Dr. and Mrs. Moriarty, Miss Stokes, Miss Prendeville, Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair, Mr. J. Murphy and Miss Murphy, Mr. J. de V. White.

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SIX NEW CARS

Details of the new range of Chrysler models for 1938 are given in a catalogue issued this month by F. M. Summerfield, Ltd., 138 Lower Baggot street, Dublin, builders and sole distributors of these cars in the Irish Free State.

The catalogue is fully illustrated, and it shows once again a wealth of new ideas in car design and equipment. Photographs of each model, together with complete specifications, are given. Especially interesting features are set out in clear, non-technical language, some of them being illustrated by means of photographs. One section is devoted to Chrysler Fargo trucks and vans, and here again photographs are used.

It is a catalogue, which, in design and appearance, does full justice to the fine cars it represents. Designing and production have been handled by McEvoy's Advertising Service, Ltd., and the printing has been done in Dublin.

CHINESE SOLDIERS AS COOLIES

From Reuter's Correspondent.

SHANGHAI, Wednesday.

The existence of a Chinese "Dare to Die" Corps has been revealed by statements attributed to a man responsible for throwing a hand grenade yesterday. He hurled it from the Chekiang road bridge at a Japanese Army launch. There were no casualties.

A group taken at last night's reception and dance, given at the Rotunda Hospital by the Master (Dr. Davidson) and Mrs. Davidson. Included are Dr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Semple, Dr. and Mrs. Fitz-Gibbon, Miss Copeman, Dr. R. M. Corbet (Master of the Coombe Hospital), Mrs. Jackson and Captain J. L. Martin.

OBITUARY

THE HON. EDWARD M. PAKENHAM

The Hon. Edward Michael Pakenham, uncle of the Earl of Longford, died on Tuesday at his residence, 18 Norfolk street, Park Lane, London, after a short illness. He was born in 1866, a son of the Fourth Earl of Longford, and was educated at Winchester. He joined the Coldstream Guards, and rose to the rank of major before his retirement. His first active service was in South Africa, where he spent three years, and earned mention in despatches. During the Great War also he was on active service. At one time a keen rider to hounds, he became master of the Westmeaths, but since the Great War he had led a very retired life. He was unmarried.

MR. P. J. McQUAID

The death occurred at Clare Castle on Tuesday of Mr. Philip J. MacQuaid, Sheriff of Co. Clare. Born in Newry, he was admitted a solicitor in 1913, after which he was associated with Mr. W. H. Cox, Barrister-at-Law, in the administration of the first Dail Eireann Courts. He was appointed Sheriff of County Clare in 1922 by the first Free State Government. A noted athlete in his younger days, he took the keenest interest in all forms of sport, and excelled at field events, particularly the high jump. He formed the first branch of the Irish Anglers' Association in Ennis, and was its first president. He was the first and last Sheriff of Clare under a native Government, as under the Courts of Justice Act the duties of Sheriff will be discharged through the office of the Circuit Court Registrar.

At a meeting of the Ennis Angling Association yesterday evening, sympathy was tendered to Mr. McQuaid's family, on the motion of Mr. P. J. MacNamara, M.A., Chairman, seconded by Mr. D. Honan, secretary. The Clare Board of Health also expressed sympathy with the family.

DR. T. K. WHEELER

Dr. Thomas Kennedy Wheeler, who died early yesterday at his residence, 19 College Gardens, Belfast, was for many years a leading medical practitioner in that city. He had been ill for only a few weeks.

Born in 1849, he was a son of a well-known Belfast medical man, Dr. T. K. Wheeler. He was educated at the Royal Belfast Academical Institution and at the old Royal University of Ireland, subsequently receiving much of his early training at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, and the old Royal Hospital, Belfast.

He was a member of the staff of the latter hospital for many years, and also of the old Ulster Hospital for Women and Children, and was also medical officer to Methodist College, Belfast. He retired from his professional duties about thirty years ago.

Dr. Wheeler is survived by four sons—Mr. Donald R. Wheeler, F.R.C.S., of the London Hospital; Dr. Arthur R. Wheeler, who has a practice in the South of England; Mr. James R. Wheeler, M.B., F.R.C.S., Belfast, and Mr. Douglas Wheeler, who holds an engineering post in India.

CHRISTIAN ETHICS IN INDIA

PAPAL LEGATE AND MR. GANDHI

MADRAS, Wednesday.

Amid scenes of great enthusiasm the national Eucharistic Conference was opened in Madras this morning with the reading of an address of welcome to the Legate by the Catholics of Madras.

The Legate, having replied in a speech tracing the history of the Church in South India, concluded: "May our Congress strengthen ever more those happy relations between India and the Holy See by confirming Catholics in faith and fervour and by holding high over Indian lands and seas the radiant torch of religion and spiritual truth."

This afternoon the City Council presented an address to the Legate, who, in his reply, recalled the Swami Vive-Kananda's saying that: "The voice of Asia had been the voice of religion," and added that the Catholic Church and the Pontiff represented the very voice of religion which had gone forth unto all the earth.

Later, replying to an address of welcome from the Archbishop of Madras, the Legate said: "Outside the Church no one, perhaps, has echoed more eloquently the Church's appeal to Christian ethics than Gandhi, who in his immense endeavour for India's economic uplift never loses sight of the supremacy of spiritual values. That shows how many affinities the ideals of Gandhi have with Christian ethics, and how he has assimilated some of our most important moral teachings. The Church not only advocates a more equitable distribution of wealth through the application of her social principles, but she also unites us all, and bridges the differences of language, environment, communities and castes by common participation in the Eucharist."

The Legate concluded with a strong appeal to Catholics not to foster the caste spirit within the Church.—*Times* telegram.

EXPORT BOUNTY ON FAT CATTLE

As already announced, a bounty at the rate of 30s. per head will be payable on fat cattle exported to Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the period from the 1st January, 1938, to the 15th June, 1938, both dates inclusive. Full particulars of the arrangements made by the Department of Agriculture for the inspection of such animals for bounty purposes appear in our advertising columns to-day.

As rigid adherence to these arrangements is essential, exporters are advised to make themselves thoroughly acquainted with the places and times at, and the conditions under, which inspection for bounty purposes will be carried out.

MINERS IDLE AFTER PIT FIRE

Miners at Frickley Colliery, South Elmsall, Yorks., where on Tuesday one man was fatally gassed and six others had to receive hospital treatment, declined to start work last night.

The management had sent out notices stating that the pit would be open for work on the night shift, but the men held a meeting, and refused to resume until they had heard a report from their two inspectors, who went down the pit last night to examine the stoppings built around the fire from which the gas was thrown off.

WOMAN OF 35

Gets figure and fitness of 18

The woman is Mrs. K. R. She writes: "Some time ago I could never finish my work. I had no energy and everything seemed to go wrong. At last I tried Fynnon Salt. After taking two tins I feel a new person. Now I can honestly say my work is finished at ten in the morning. And I have lost 4lbs. in weight. I have four children all going to school, so you know I have work to do. But thanks to Fynnon Salt it all slips through now. At 35 I feel like a girl of 18."

Fynnon Salt treats your system to those marvellous minerals found in the waters of world-famous Spas! In Fynnon Salt you enjoy the true Spa elements of Sodium, Potassium and Lithium, which gently (and without purging) rid the system of fat-forming and health-destroying waste matter. That's why, taken regularly, Fynnon Salt keeps you in the pink of condition—inside *and* out. Take a teaspoonful in a glassful of water every morning. Large tins, 1/6.

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[NE]W CARS

[A r]ange of Chrysler models [is shown in] a catalogue issued this [week by S]ummerfield, Ltd., 138 [...] Dublin, builders and [...]hese cars in the Irish [...]

[...]ally illustrated, and it [...]wealth of new ideas in [...]ment. Photographs of [...]with complete specifica- [...] Especially interesting [...]in clear, non-technical [...]m being illustrated by [...] One section is devoted to [...]s and vans, and here [...] used.

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[S]OLDIERS AS [...]LIES

[FROM OUR] CORRESPONDENT.
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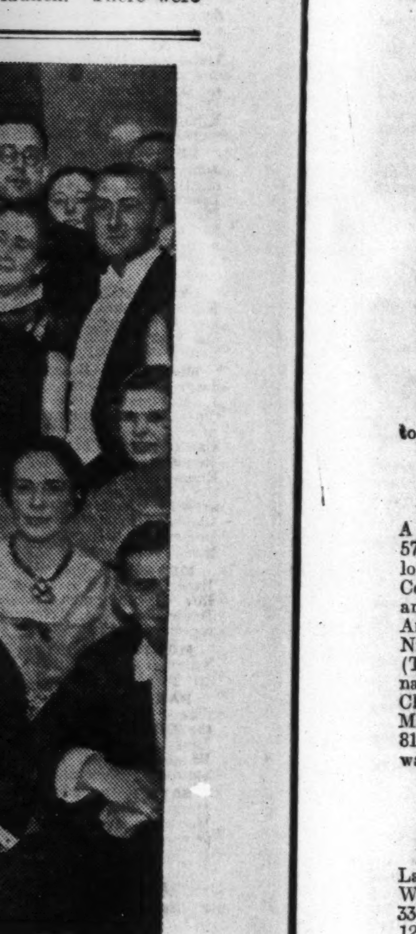

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Financial News & Notes

DUBLIN IDLE

GUINNESS STEADY

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS DULL

Trading was almost at a minimum on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, and the tone, especially amongst British Industrials, was again dull.

The Free State Funds held steady, but British War Loan drooped to 101⅛. Banks where quoted, showed no change.

Guinness Ord. repeated 121s. 6d.; but Dublin Distillers "A" shed pence, and Distillers Ord. advised lower.

Rails continued idle, and Dublin Tram Ord. were unaltered. Alliance Gas Ord. eased to 32s. 6d.; but Johnston Mooney Ord. firmed up to 27s. Carroll Pref. and Irish Dunlop Pref. marked small losses.

British Industrials opened quietly, but later there was a little more life. Prices, however, inclined to give way.

Tobaccos and Textiles presented an easier appearance, with Imperials 147s.

Dunlop Rubbers and "Emmies" also moved against holders, and Shell Transport Ord. relapsed to 95s. 10½d.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The prices given in the following tables were marked before 2.45 p.m. yesterday:—

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.		
3½% Fourth National Loan	(101⅛)	101⅛
4½% Land Bonds	(107⅝)	107⅝
Do. (under £200)	(107⅜)	107⅜
BRITISH FUNDS.		
3½% War Loan	(101⅝)	*101½
3½% Conversion Loan	(102½)	102⅛
CORPORATION STOCKS.		
Rathmines and Rathgar 3½%	(87 5/16)	87⅜b
BANKS.		
Bank of Ireland	(333)	*333
National	(53/6)	*53/6
Provincial Old	(58/-)	58/-b 58/6a
BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.		
Distillers Ord.	(105/9	104/9b 106/-a
Dublin Distillers "A"	(3/-)	2/9
Guinness Ord.	(121/6)	121/6 1/6
Do. Pref.	(14⅞)	14 15/16
RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.		
L.N.E. Prefd.-Ord.	(8½)	7 15/16
Dublin Tram Ord.	(12/-)	*12/-
GAS.		
Alliance Gas Ord.	(33/-)	32/6
BAKERIES AND MILLING.		
Johnston Mooney Ord.	(26/6)	27/-
IRISH INDUSTRIALS.		
Carroll Pref.	(23/9)	*23/6
Goodbody Ord.	(20/-)	20/-
Harrington Pref.	(25/6)	25/6
Hammond Lane Pref.	(22/9)	22/9
Irish Dunlop Pref.	(27/6)	27/-
Irish Shell Pref.	(20/3)	20/3
Irish Sugar Pref.	(24/10½)	24/10½
Irish Times 1st Pref.	(45/9)	45/9
Woodington Ord.	(6/-)	6/-
BRITISH INDUSTRIALS.		
B.A.T. Ord.	(109/6)	106/9b 103/3a
Blakeley Boot Protector Ord.		13/3
Brown (J.) Ord.		30/1½
Bristol Aircraft Ord.		46/9
Crompton Parkinson "A"		42/3
Coats (J. and P.) Ord.	(41/6)	40/3b 41/3a
Courtaulds Ord.	(47/-)	45/9b 46/9a
Dunlop Rubbers	(33/-)	32/1½
Electrical and Musical	(16/7½)	15/7½
Eastern Sumatra Rubbers		2/4½
Ford Motors Ord.	(21/3)	21/9b 22/3a
Imperial Chemical Ord.	(35/4½)	34/3b 35/-a
Imperial Tobacco Ord.	(147/6)	147/-
London and Thames Haven		35/4½
Mexican Eagle Oil		*11/1½ 11/1½
Metal Industries "B"		29/4½
Shell Transport Ord.	(98/6)	95/10½
Vickers Ord.	(26/4½)	25/6b 26/3a

* Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango	Jan. 3	Jan. 17
Ticket	Jan. 4	Jan. 18
Intermediate	Jan. 5	Jan. 19
Account Day	Jan. 6	Jan. 20

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' rate (June 20, 1932)	3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred	2½%
Deposits under £2,000	1 %
Deposits of £2,000 and over	1¼%

The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

BELFAST

War Loan, 101⅜ and 101½; Northern Bank A rose 6d. to 115s.; small odd lot of B shares 57s.; Great Northern Railway Ord. 5 (small lot); Great Western Railway Ord., 63; Courtaulds Ord., 46s. 3d.; Prudential Assurance A, £34 1s. 9d. (Tuesday); British American Tobacco, 107s. 3d.; International Nickels, 42 7/16, 42½; Mexican Eagles, 11s. 9d. (Tuesday), 11s. 4½d. (yesterday); International Tea, 11s.; Dorman Longs, 34s. 3d.; Champion Reefs, 42s. (Tuesday); London, Midland and Scottish Railway First Preferred, 81⅞ (small); London and North-Eastern Railway Pref., 25⅞ (small).

CORK

Fourth National Loan unchanged at 101¼; Land Bonds marked 107⅝ for a small lot; War Loan easier at 101½; Bank Stock sellers, 334; Munsters dealt in 121s., closing buyers 120s.; Guinness Ord. remained 121s. 6d.; Irish Tanners Ord. buyers, 10s.; T. Lyons and Co. (fully paid), sellers 77s. 6d. (£4 paid), buyers 57s. 6d., sellers 60s.; do. Pref. buyers, 80s.

FIXED AND FLEXIBLE TRUSTS

The latest prices (supplied by the Trusts) for the sub-units of the following Trusts are as under:—

Aviation and Univ. In. Trust	8/6-9/-
Bank Ins. and Financial	16/6-17/6
British Empire Cumulative	16/-17/-—1¼d.
British Empire Fixed Trust A	20/1¼-21/1¼—1¼d.
British Empire Fixed Trust B	9/10½-10/4½
British General A	19/10½ (x.d.) bid
British General B	18/- bid
British General C	17/-18/-
British Ind. Fixed Trust Certs.	18/6-19/6
Brit. Ind. Fxd. Tr. Cts., 2nd Ser.	16/3-17/3 (x.d.)
Brit. Ind. Fxd. Tr. Cts., 3rd Ser.	17/-18/-
Brit. Ind. Fxd. Tr. Cts., 4th Ser.	18/-19/-
Commercial Fixed Trust	19/10½ bid
Domestic Investment Trust	8/-8/6
Electrical Industries Trust	16/9-17/9
First British Fixed Trust	42/6 bid
Second British Fixed Trust	27/6 bid
Third British Fixed Trust	23/- bid
Fourth British Fixed Trust	19/6 bid
Foreign Government Bond Trust	16/9-17/9
First Prov. Fxd. Trust	20/6-21/6
First Prov. Fxd. Trust, Ser. B.	16/3-17/3
First Prov. Reserve Units	16/6-17/6
First Recovery Trust	5/9 bid
Gilt-edged Fixed Trust Certs.	18/3-18/9 (x.d.)
Gold Prod. Fxd. Tr. Dpst. Rcts.	24/7½ bid.
Gold Prod. Fxd., 2nd Series	18/-19/-
Gold Prod. Fxd., 3rd Series	13/3-14/3
Hundred Secur. Tr. Sub-Units	19/1¼-20/1¼
Investors Flexible	14/6-15/6
Inves. Gas and Electric Trust	12/9-13/9
Invest. General Fxd. Tr. Cts.	17/9-18/9
Investors Gold Share Trust	14/7½-15/7½
Investors 2nd General Trust	15/-16/-
Keystone Certificates	17/1¼-18/1¼—1¼d.
Keystone Flexible Certs.	16/4¼-17/4¼—1¼d.
Limited Investment Fund	20/-21/- (x.d.)
Midland and Sthn. Inv. Fund	18/6-19/6
National Fixed Trust A	31/1¼ bid.
National Fixed Trust B	21/3 bid
National Fixed Trust C	19/-20/-
National Fixed Trust D	17/9-18/9 (x.d.)
National Invest. Group Certs.	14/3-15/3
Protected First Fixed Trust	21/3-22/3
Protected Second Fixed Trust	18/9-19/9 (x.d.)
Protected Third Fixed Trust	13/6-14/6
Provident Investors Trust	15/1¼-16/1¼
Rand Certificates	19/7½ bid+3d.
Second Keystone Certificates	15/3-16/3+1¼d.
Security First Trust	16/7½-17/7½
Selec. Fixed Trust A	16/9-17/9
Selec. Fixed Trust B	16/10½-17/10½
Trust of Bank Shares	17/9-18/9+3d.
Trust of Bank and In. Shares	18/9-19/9
Trust of British Transport	14/7½-15/7½
Trust of Insurance Shares	21/-22/-
Univ. Fixed Trust Certs	19/4½-20/4½
Unit Secs. of S.A., Unit 16	155/8-168/2
Do., Unit 17	162/7-175/1
Do., Unit 19	549/10-584/10
Do., Unit 21	254/10-269/10
Brewery Trust	15/3-16/3 (x.d.)
Invest Trust	15/-16/-+3d.
Scottish Bank	16/-17/-
Cornhill Deb.	20/9-21/4½
Cornhill Def.	14/6-15/6

COMPANY NOTICES

THE IMPERIAL TOBACCO COMPANY (OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND), LIMITED.

Bristol, 30th December, 1937.

Notice is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the "B" SIX PER CENT. and "C" TEN PER CENT. NON-CUMULATIVE PREFERENCE STOCK of the above Company will be CLOSED FROM the 17th to 31st JANUARY, 1938, both days inclusive, for the preparation of the Dividend Warrants, payable on 1st February, 1938.

By Order, G. W. ANSON, Secretary.

LONDON WEAK

PRICES LOWER ALL ROUND

No improvement in business was witnessed on the London Stock markets yesterday, and, in the absence of buying, the further sharp break on Wall street easily undermined sentiment. Prices were marked down from the outset, and the atmosphere became even more despondent, following a fresh decline in commodity values. A little support just before the close lifted some issues above their worst levels, but most groups presented a weak appearance throughout the day, and recent favourites, such as Oils and Kaffirs, suffered especially severe set-backs. Substantial losses were also frequent among Industrials, and the investment sections gave a disappointing display.

BRITISH FUNDS.

Selling of gilt-edged securities was in progress on a modest scale, and, although quotations held up fairly well at first—apart from Consols 4 p.c., which were quoted at an ex dividend price of 109⅛—the market subsequently developed a dull tendency on the revenue figures. War Loan, Local Loans and most Conversions eased off towards the end.

FOREIGN BONDS.

In the Foreign Bond section Brazilians gave way owing to fears regarding the January 1 interest payment, and Far Eastern Bonds lost Tuesday's firmness. Among the latter several Chinese Government Loans lost a point, while recessions ranging up to 1½ occurred in Japanese issues. Europeans offered resistance to surrounding conditions, and Germans were harder, under the lead of the Dawes Loan, which advanced to 56.

RAILS.

British Rails came on offer pending the traffics, which will be announced to-day. Liquidation was by no means heavy, but owing to the prevailing dulness quotations reflected trifling sales. Great Western Ord. and L.M.S. Ord. receded to 63¼ and 29½, respectively, while Southern Defd. shed ½ to 19¼. Argentines formed another depressed section, and other Foreign Rails also were out of favour. San Paulo Ord. declined further to 66, and point falls occurred in Entre Rios Ord. and Cordoba Central 1st Debs. Colonial and American Rails continued to lose ground in sympathy with Wall street.

INDUSTRIALS.

Selling was the dominant influence among Industrials, but while demand was negligible actual liquidation also was limited, and the weak tone which characterised the market was chiefly the result of precautionary measures by dealers. Motors gave a particularly dull show, and Electrical Equipments came back sharply under the lead of Crompton Parkinson. Falls were also frequent in the Iron and Steel section, where Vickers were notably lower, and Cement and Shipping shares participated in the downward movement. Rayons and Aviations displayed the common trend, and in other directions Triplex, British Oxygen, Turner and Newall and Distillers were weak features.

MINES.

Mines, in addition to being depressed by local influences, were unsettled further by the weakness of Paris, and during the opening stages Kaffirs receded rapidly. Renewed support in the last hour enabled Western Reefs, Anglo-American Investments and certain others to rebound from their worst levels, but, even so, prices were lower throughout the list at the close. Sharp losses also were noticeable in the Diamond section, where De Beers Defd. were particularly weak, and Rhodesian Coppers experienced another dull session. West Africans moved in line with their neighbours and Tins exhibited a downward tendency. A feature in the Oil section, which was severely affected by Wall street, was the fresh set-back in Royal Dutch. Prices generally fell heavily, however, and Shells, Anglo-Iranians and other leaders were substantially lower at the close.

MEXICAN OIL BURDENS

BIG COST OF THE LABOUR AWARD

The petroleum companies operating in Mexico calculate that the cost of the award of the Federal Board of Concilation and Arbitration (Labour Board) will be not less than 64,000,000 pesos in the first year, compared with an average annual profit in the three years 1934-36 of 22,750,000 pesos. This figure was revealed last night in an official statement which criticises "financial inaccuracies," and asserts that the award places upon the companies burdens which economically they are unable to bear.

The statement declares that the London financial agents of the Mexican Eagle Oil Co., Ltd., have received further advices from the managers with regard to the award. This award indicates, it is stated, that, notwithstanding the submission of accounts audited by international firms of chartered accountants and examined and presented by prominent accountants of Mexican nationality occupying semi-official positions in various institutions under Government supervision, the Labour Board has persisted in basing its conclusions upon its own estimates that the profits of the companies over the last three years have exceeded 168,000,000 pesos. The true and audited profits were 68,000,000 pesos. This estimate by the companies takes no account of the retrospective feature of the award, which they estimate will cost at least 21,000,000 pesos, or of what they consider the illegal award by the Labour Board of full pay to the employés during the period of the general strike in May and June of this year, amounting to another 21,000,000 pesos.

The petroleum companies calculate that all these provisions will make the cost of the Labour Board's award during the first year not less than 64,000,000 pesos, which compares with the total profits of 68,000,000 pesos made by the companies during the three years ending December 31st, 1936, or with an average annual profit for this period of 22,750,000 pesos.

The London financial agents of the Mexican Eagle Oil Company, Ltd., are advised that it would be impossible for the petroleum companies in Mexico to continue to operate under the terms of the award, and that it is their intention to seek the only legal means of redress open to them. The Mexican Eagle Oil Company, Ltd., is, therefore, filing an appeal to the Supreme Court for an injunction to set aside the award.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

British Northrop Loom Co.—Net trading profit for the year to October 30 amounted to £29,847, compared with £19,811. Final dividend is 5 p.c. making 7½ p.c. or ½ p.c. more than in the previous year, when the capital was smaller than that now ranking for dividend. Reserve gets £5,000 again, while a sum of £5,000 is provided for extra depreciation of fixed assets (against nil). Carry forward is £11,888 (against £8,579). It is resolved to convert the company's shares into stock.

Barlis (South Africa).—Directors have decided not to pay an interim dividend on the £275,000 Ordinary Shares of 10/- each. In the initial period of approximately 13 months ended March 31 last an interim of 5 per cent. was followed by a final of the same amount. The company was registered in South Africa in March, 1936, and carries on business as importers and distributors of motor vehicles and mining machinery.

Clifford Motor Components.—Interim dividend of 3 p.c. (Same.)

Tanah Estates (1931).—Final of 6 per cent., making 10 per cent., less tax (nil).

LONDON "STREET" MARKET

Business in the "Street" yesterday was again small. The tone at first was firm, but following discouraging news from Wall Street there was a reaction, and most prices finished below their four o'clock levels. U.S. Steels advanced to 52⅛, but relapsed to a closing level of 51⅛, ⅝ below the "House" close. Nickels, after being 43¼, finished at 42⅞, while Brazilian Tractions were below the best at 12¼. Anacondas were dull at 5 7/16. Small losses were marked in New York Centrals at 16⅛ and Chrysler at 47.

RUBBER CROPS FOR NOVEMBER

Amalgamated Bruas, 100,747; Caledonian, 83,000 (45,000); Glen Muar, 79,000 (64,500); Heves, 106,000 (64,000); Kuala Kangsar, 162,400 (112,200); Kuala Pilah, 40,000 (36,000); Telok, 22,800 (17,000); Ulu Caledonian, 47,000 (22,500).

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Wednesday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London weak.
Dublin idle.
Manchester uncertain.
Birmingham Motors small.
New York firm.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2%
Last year	2%
Irish Bank Rate	3%
London Day-to-Day Loans	½%
London Three Months' Bills	11/16%
Price of Gold	139/5½
Silver (spot)	18 1/16d.

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET

TENDENCY AGAIN UNSETTLED

Dull and unsettled conditions again prevailed throughout the Industrial Market yesterday. Business remained very restricted, and, with Wall street still in uncertain mood, price movements were mostly adverse to holders.

After early weakness the Transatlantic counters rallied somewhat during the afternoon, but late advices from Wall street proved discouraging and they finished dull and uncertain. U.S. Steels fluctuated between 51 and 52⅞, eventually closing 1⅛ lower on balance at 51⅛.

"Emmies" reflected the general uncertainty and lost 6d. at 15s. 9d., while Bairds were unaffected by the meeting.

TUBE INVESTMENTS WEAKER.

Cable and Wireless stocks showed no decided trend; the Ord. gave way to 65⅞, but the Funded stock hardened to 101¼.

Gloomy conditions prevailed in the Iron and Steel section, for while there was only a small business in progress prices with hardly an exception moved to lower levels. As a rule the losses finally recorded were not large, but Tube investments became a heavy market, falling 1s. 6d. to 81s. 6d.

An irregular tendency prevailed among Electrical Equipments with movements generally small.

The Aircraft group was dull. De Havillands reacted to 38s., Hawker-Siddeleys to 25s. 7½d. and Bristols to 48s.

AUSTINS DROP BACK.

With business still on a small scale the Motor section presented a poor appearance, and substantial declines occurred in some of the leading issues. Austins were 1s. 3d. down at 30s., Morris gave way to 32s. 9d. and Fords to 21s. 9d.

With few exceptions, Breweries reflected the general trend, but losses were not important. Guinness held at 121s. 3d.

In the Tobacco section, United South Ord. hardened to 8⅜, and support was forthcoming for Copes, "Cantabs," Godfrey Phillips, and the S.T. Ordinary. On the other hand, "Bats" gave way to 5 11/16, and Carreras "A" to 7 7/16, while "Imps" lost the turn at 7 7/16.

Textiles remained dull and uninteresting. In the Rayon section, Celanese of America were weak, closing 1/16 lower at 2⅝. Canadian Celanese dwindled to 3¼, and Courtaulds to 46s. 3d.

TURNER AND NEWALL LOWER.

Quiet conditions ruled in the Stores group, and share values developed an easier trend, owing to lack of interest.

Apart from Bovril Ord. and Spiers and Pond, little disposition was seen to open fresh commitments among Provision and Catering issues. In the absence of support Shipping issues lost ground.

A generally dull tone prevailed in the Miscellaneous section but few large movements were recorded. British Oxygens finished fractionally lower at 4⅛, as did Turner and Newalls to 4 3/16. Imperials Chemicals eased to 34s. 9d., and British Plaster Boards to 27s. 7½d. Further weakness occurred in the Cement issues.

OILS DULL

At the start yesterday the Oil Share market as a whole had a distinctly dull appearance, although this was due to sentiment rather than actual business, prices being marked down following weakness in New York on the preceding day. Some concern is being felt in American oil circles in regard to the overproduction of petrol. Last week there was a further addition to storage at refineries of 1,576,000 barrels, bringing stocks at December 25 up to 43,318,000. Storage at present is some 8,563,000 barrels higher than a year ago. About midday a moderate demand arose on Paris account for "Shells," while later, Amsterdam came in a buyer of Royal Dutch. Quite a good rally took place in the last-named during the afternoon, while several others made some recovery. Nevertheless, declines were still general at the close.

RUBBERS LOWER

In view of the fact that one of the weakest commodity features yesterday was a fall of 1/16d. in the price of spot rubber—which was quoted 6⅞d. to 7d. per lb. in a depressed market—it was hardly surprising that Rubber shares failed to maintain their recent steady tendency. The market remained in a quiet state, but a small increase in the volume of sales was sufficient to unsettle prices, and dealers quoted reduced levels for a fairly wide range of shares to discourage liquidation. Rubber Trust and Telogoredjo went back rather smartly, and other leaders which exhibited dulness included Anglo-Dutch, Malacca, and Highlands.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL NOTES

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

STEEL PRODUCTION DOWN TO 20 PER CENT. CAPACITY.

The "Iron Age" estimates that the steel industry winds up the year at a rate of not more than 20 per cent. of capacity for the current week—compared with 23.5 per cent. last week—with a full dozen steel factories shut down completely and others operating at the barest minimum. The magazine states that a moderate improvement is expected in the first week of January, but further gains may be slow and halting until some of the existing uncertainties are swept away.

The steel price question—recently officially injected into the present uncertain situation by a spokesman of the Administration—may become of paramount importance to the trend of the steel business during the early week of the new year.

Meanwhile buying by the railways has been relatively better maintained than demand from other fields—particularly that from the automotive industry, which is at an unusually low point, and, with the exception of Ford Motors, will be almost completely shut down during the first half of January.

GENERAL MOTORS.

In spite of the curtailment of operations, Wall street believes that the General Motors Corporation can continue on a substantial profit basis with the volume of business projected for January, which is about 45 per cent. of normal, or 100,000 cars monthly.

MONTGOMERY WARD PROFITS.

Montgomery Ward and Company report for the nine months ended October 31 a net profit of $15,288,000—equal to $2.73 per share—compared with $12,977,000 ($2.61) for the corresponding period of 1936.

STEEL SCRAP ADVANCES HALF A DOLLAR.

No. 1 heavy melting steel scrap was sold at Pittsburgh yesterday at $14.50 per ton—an advance of 50 cents from the previous price. Supplies continue to be restricted, and export buying is reported to be a strengthening factor.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum. div. § Ex bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

—	Closing		Rise or fall
Consols 2½%	74	74¼	−⅛
Do 4%	109	109¼*	
3½% War Loan	101 7/16	101 9/16	−1/16
Funding Loan	112⅜	112⅝	+⅛
Victory Bonds	111	111¼	
3% Conversion Loan	101 5/16	101 13/16	−1/16
3½% Conversion Loan	101⅞	102⅛	−1/16
4½% Conversion Loan	105⅞	106⅛	+1/16
5% Conversion Loan	114 5/16	114 9/16	
2½% Land Stock, 1905	77	79	+½
Irish Free State 4½% Ld. Bd.	107	109*	
India 3%	79	80	
Do. 3½%	92¾	93¾	−¼
Local Loans	88 11/16	88 15/16	−⅛
Sudan 5½%	110	113*	

PUBLIC BOARDS.

Cent. El. Bd. 4% 1959-89	103	105	
Do. 5% 1950-70	112	114	
Do. 4½% 1951-73	108	110*	
Do. 5% 1955-75	115	117	
Do. 4½% 1957-62	110	112	
Metro Water 3 p.c. (a)	87	90	

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS.

Australian Com. 5 p.c., 1945-75	106⅞	107⅜	−⅛
Do. do. 4 p.c., 1955-70	104	106	
Do. do 3¾ p.c., 1948-53	100	102*	
Canada 4 p.c., 1940-60	103	105	
N.S.W. 5 p.c., 1945-65	107	107½	+⅛
Do. 4 p.c., 1942-62	99	101	
New Zealand 3 p.c., 1952-55	89¾	90¼	
Do 3½ p.c. 1955-60	97	99	
Nigeria 6 p.c.	123	125	
Queensland 5 p.c., 1940-60	106	106½	
South African 3 p.c., 1954-64	94¾	95¼	−⅛
Do 3½ p.c. 1955 65	101½	103½*	
South Australian 5 p.c., 1945-75	106¾	107¼	−⅛
Do. 4 p.c., 1940-60	100	102	
Victoria 4 p.c., 1940-60	100	102	
Do. 5 p.c., 1945-75	106¾	107¼	
W. Australian 5 p.c., 1945-75	108½	109	−⅛
Do. 4 p.c., 1942-62	99	101	

FOREIGN STOCKS.

M.U.—Dec. 13				
—	Argentine 4 p.c. Rescn.	101¾	102¼	
—	Austrian 3 p.c. Guar. Sterling Bonds	100	102*	
101	Belgian 3 p.c.	100½	101½	
98	Do. 4 p.c. Bonds	95¼	96¼	
23½	Brazil 6½ p.c. 5 Bds. '27	19½	20½	−1
58½	Do. 5 p.c. Funding, '98	55	57	−½
42	Do. 5 p.c. do., 1914	38	40	−½
86½	Chinese 4½ p.c., 1898	86	88	
59½	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	59	61	−1
68	Do. 5 p.c. Reorg., 1913	64	66	−1
70	Chinese Imp. Ry. 5% Gld.	65	75	
40	Do. Shanghai-Nanking 5 p.c.	38	43	
29	Do. Tientsin-Pukow 5%	25	35	
103¾	Czecho Slovakia Bonds	104½	105½	
101¼	Egyptian Unified	102	103	
12½	French Loan 4 p.c.	12¾	13¼	
57¾	German 7 p.c.	55½	56½	+1
39¾	Do. 5½ p.c.	38½	39½	
—	Do. Potash 7 p.c.	82½	83½	
41	Greek 7 p.c., 1924	41¼	42¼	
33	Do. 6 p.c. Stabs.	32	35	
29½	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	29	32	
14	Italian Rentes	11	16	
66	Japan 6 p.c., 1924	61½	62½	−1½
64	Do. 5½ p.c. Conversion	59½	60½	−½
3¾	Mexican 5 p.c., '99	3¾	4¼	
4¼	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	4	4½	
44	Peru 7½ p.c. Guano	40	50	
1¼	Peruvian Corporation	1	1½	
5¼	Do. Pref.	4¾	5¼	
54	Do. Debs.	52	54	
71	Poland 7 p.c. Sterling	70	73	
81	Portuguese 3 p.c.	80½	81½	
1 9/16	Turkish 7½ p.c., 1933	1½	2	

BRITISH RAILS.

62¼	Great Western	62¾	63¾	−½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	117	119	
29	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	29¼	29¾	−½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	81	83	−½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	103	105*	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	69	71	−½
8	Ldn., North-East. 5 p.c. Pref.-Ord.	8	8½	−⅛
4¼	Do. Def.-Ord.	4 3/16	4 7/16	+1/16
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	66½	68½	−½
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	25	27	−½
—	Lond. Trans 5 p.c. "A"	126	129*	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. "A"	116	118*	
—	Do. "B"	119	122*	
—	Do. "C"	79¼	80¼	
86¾	Southern Pref.-Ord.	86	87	−¼
19	Do. Def.-Ord.	19	19½	−⅛
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	114	116	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

13½	Antofagasta Ord.	12½	14½	
—	Bahia Blanca Guar. Stk.	75	77	
18½	Buenos Ayres Gt. Sthn.	17	19	
7½	Buenos Ayres & Pacific Ord.	6	8	
14½	Buenos Ayres and W.	12½	14½	−½
—	Canadian National Guar.	86	89*	
8	Canadian Pacific	7½	7⅝	−1/16
14½	Central Argentine Ord.	12½	14½	−½
6½	Do. Def.	8	8	
—	Central Uruguay Ord.	1¾	2¾	
2½	Cordoba Central New	1¾	2¾	
47½	Do. 1st Deb.	43	46	−1
11	Do. 2nd Deb.	10	12	
7½	Entre Rios Ord.	5½	7½	−1
—	Do. 6 p.c. Cum. Pref.	9	11	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	98	101*	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	99	101*	
3½	Leopoldina	3	4	
7/6	Mexican Rails	¼	¾	
25/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	1	2	
7/6	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	¼	¾	
59	San Paulo Ord.	64	68	−1
—	United Havana Stock	1	3	

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	33	36	−2
19¼	New York Central	15	18	−1
—	Pennsylvania	19	22	−1
14	Southern Common	10	13	−1
—	Southern Pacific	17	20	−1
85	Union Pacific	82	87	

BANKS.

Bank of Australasia	8⅜	8⅝	
Bank of England	340	344	
Bank of Montreal	40¼	41¼	
Bank of New South Wales	25½	26½	
Bank of New Zealand	33/0	35/0	
Barclay's "A" Shares	10½	10 11/16	
British Overseas	2⅝	2⅞	
Canadian of Commerce	33	34	
Chartered of India	11⅞	12¼	−⅛
Hong Kong and Shanghai	87	90	+½
Lloyds	60/6	61/3	
London and S. American	5⅜	5⅝	
Martins £20 (£2/10 paid)	9⅛	9⅜	
Midland	10	10 3/16	
National Discount "B"	13 3/16	13 11/16	
National Provincial (£4 pd.)	14¾	14 15/16	
Royal Bank of Canada	35½	37½	
Standard of South Africa	14½	14⅞	
Union of Australia	7	7¼	
Westminster Bank	65/6	67/0	

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

M.U.—Dec. 13				
129/0	Bass, Ratcliff Ord.	127/0	129/0	−1/0
20/0	Brewers of Vancouver	20/6	21/6	
11/6	City of London Def. (5/-)	11/9	12/9	−0/3
82/0	Courage Ord.	80/6	82/6	
102/3	Distillers Ord.	105/3	106/3	−0/6
121/6	Guinness Ord.	120/3	122/3	
108/6	Ind Coope and Allsopp.	109/0	111/0	−0/6
—	Mitchell and Butlers	90/6	92/6	
100/0	South African Breweries	101/0	103/0	
—	Walker (John) Pref.	31/6	32/6	−0/3
25/6	Walker (P.) & R. Cain Or.	24/9	25/9	−0/3
77/9	Watney Combe Def.	75/3	77/3	−0/6

DRAPERY AND STORES.

71/3	Barker (John)	72/0	73/0	
—	Burton (M.) Ord.	13/6	14/3	−0/1½
3/6	Cook, Son and Co.	3/3	4/3	
—	Gamage (A. W.)	21/0	22/0	−0/4½
76/0	Harrod's Stores	74/6	75/6	−0/7½
8/0	Harrod's (B.A.)	7/3	8/3	
23/3	Maple and Co.	24/6	25/6	
2 15/16	Marks & Spencer (5/-)	2 21/32	3 1/32	
1⅝	O.K. Bazaars "A"	30/7½	33/1½	
—	Selfridges Pref.	30/3	31/3	
68/3	Woolworth Ord.	69/3	70/3	−1/0
30/0	Do. Pref.	29/6	30/6	

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

—	Bournemouth and Poole	67/3	68/3	
—	City of London	33/3	34/0	−0/1½
—	County of London	48/0	49/0	
—	Edmundson's	37/6	38/6	
—	Electric Supply Corp.	32/0	33/0	
—	Lancashire	32/6	33/6	
—	London Electric	35/3	36/3	
—	Metropolitan	45/3	46/3	
—	North-Eastern	31/6	32/6	
—	St. James's	97	101*	
—	South London	31/6	33/6	
—	Whitehall Inv. Pref.	20/6	22/6	
—	Yorkshire Ord.	39/3	40/3	

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

44/3	Associated Electric Ind.	44/3	45/3	
93/9	British Insul. Cables	92/6	93/6	+0/3
87/6	Callenders Cable	89/0	90/0	+0/3
—	Crompton Parkinson	42/3	43/3*	−1/0
—	Enfield Cable Ord.	5⅛	5¼	
29/3	English Electric	29/9	30/9	−0/1½
26/3	Ever Ready (5/-)	25/3	26/3	−0/6
76/9	General Electric	76/0	76/9	−0/7½
19/3	Henley's Tel. (5/- sh.)	18/9	19/6	
40/9	Johnson and Phillips	39/9	41/9	
—	Phillips Lamps	2⅝	2 7/16	−1/16
29/0	Siemens	29/3	29/3	+0/1½
—	Telegraph Constr.	2 5/16	2 7/16	

INSURANCE.

—	Alliance £20 (£2 4/- p.)	27¾	28¼	
—	Atlas £5 (£1 5/- paid)	14¼	15¼	
—	Com. Union £1 Units	9⅞	10⅛	
—	Eagle Star Ord. £3	3¾	4	
—	Employers' £1 (5/ paid)	68/0	70/0	
—	Gen. Accdt. £1 (5/ pd.)	5 3/16	5 7/16	
—	Guardian £3 (10/- pd.)	13⅞	14⅜	
—	L. & Lan Fire £5 (£2 p.)	29¾	30¼	
—	Lon. Ass. £2½ (£1¼ pd.)	15½	15⅞	
—	N.B. & Mer. £5 (£1¼ p.)	11⅛	11⅜	
—	Northern £10 (£1 paid)	19¾	20¼	
—	Pearl £1	19½	20	
—	Phœnix £10 (£1 paid)	15⅛	15½	
—	Do £1 (f.p.)	15¾	16⅛	
—	Prudential	33¾	34⅛	
—	Do. "B" £1 (4/- pd.)	101/0	103/0	
—	Royal Exchange	9 13/16	10 1/16	
—	Royal Ins. £1 (10/- pd.)	8½	8¾	
—	Sun Ins. £1 (5/- paid)	4	4¼	
—	Sun Life £1 (f.p.)	7¾	8¼	
—	Yorkshire 50/- (10/- pd.)	8⅜	8¾	

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

—	Allied Iron	22/0	23/0*	−0/3
2/0	Amal. Anthracite	1/9	2/3	
24/0	Amal. Metal Ord.	24/3	25/3	
43/0	Babcock Wilcox Ord.	42/0	43/0	
8/4½	Baldwins	8/3	9/3	−0/4½
—	Bolsover Colliery	43/0	44/0	
29/6	Brown (John) (6/-)	29/9	30/9*	−0/6
9/6	Cammell Laird (5/-)	10/3	11/3	−0/4½
—	Colville Ord. (£1)	24/3	25/0	−0/4½
—	Consett Iron	10/3	11/3	−0/6
33/3	Cory (William)	[illegible]	37/3	−0/7½
32/9	Dorman Long and Co.	33/3	34/3	−0/6
1/0	Dufield Iron (1/-)	0/9	1/3	
—	Firth (T.) and Brown	3 5/16	3 9/16	
29/9	Guest Keen	28/3	30/3	−0/3
30/6	Hadfields (10/-)	31/0	32/0	−0/9
—	Hill Richard	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Manchester Collieries	17/0	18/0	
11/6	Pease and Partners	10/9	11/9	−0/3
21/0	Powell Duffryn	21/3	22/3	−0/6
10/3	Pressed Steel	18/0	19/6	−0/9
43/0	South Durham Steel	37/6	40/6*	−1/0
36/4½	Stewarts & Lloyds Def.	36/0	37/0	−0/6
9/10½	Thomas (R.)	9/9	10/9*	−0/1½
27/3	United Steel Cos.	26/6	27/3	−0/4½
28/0	Vickers Ord.	25/3	26/0	−0/10

OILS.

M.U.—Dec. 13				
38/1½	Anglo-Ecuadorian	33/9	34/9*	−0/3
1 15/16	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1¾	1⅞	
3 29/32	Anglo-Iranian Ord.	3¾	3 13/16	−1/16
36/4½	Do. 8 p.c. 1st Pref.	36/0	37/0	
39/4½	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	39/0	40/0	
33/4½	Apex Trinidad (5/- sh.)	33/6	34/0	−0/6
1 11/16	Attock	1⅝	1 11/16	−1/16
13/7½	British Borneo Pet. (6/-)	13/0	13/9*	−0/3
6/0	British Burmah (8/-)	6/3	7/3	
2/9	British Controlled	2/9	3/3	−0/3
5/3	Do. Pref.	5/6	6/0	−0/6
5 23/32	Burmah	5 23/32	5 25/32	−⅛
39/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	39/0	40/0	
12/3	Canadian Eagle Ord.	11/3	11/9	−0/4½
13/7½	Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pf. ($5)	12/0	13/0	−1/0
13/6	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	13/3	14/3	
5/9	Kern River (10/-)	5/3	5/9	−0/4½
1 25/32	Lobitos	1 29/32	1 31/32	−1/32
13/3	Mexican Eagle Ord.	11/1½	11/7½	−0/4½
13/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	10/9	11/9	−0/3
8/6	Do 7 p.c. 1st Pref. (4 pesos)	8/0	9/0*	
0/3	North Caucasian (10/-)	0/3	0/9	
4/6	Phœnix Oil	5/3	5/9	−0/1½
2/4½	Do. (1/- shares)	1/10½	2/4½	
37¾	Royal Dutch	39¾	40¼	−1½
4 11/16	Shell Transport	4¾	4 13/16	−⅛
26/0	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	25/6	26/6	
33/9	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	33/9	34/3	+0/1½
7/0	Steaua Romano	6/0	7/0	−0/3
6/10½	Tankers Pref.	6/0	7/0	−0/3
10/6	Trinidad Central	10/3	11/3	
4 31/32	Trinidad Leasehold	4 27/32	4 31/32	−3/32
1 29/32	V.O.C. Holdings	1 29/32	1 31/32	−1/16
1⅞	Do 7 p.c. Pref.	1⅞	2	

RUBBERS.

29/6	Anglo-Dutch	28/10½	−0/7½
11/10½	Anglo Malay	11/10½	
2/9	Bukit Mertajam	2/7½	−0/1½
1/1½	Bukit Sembawang	1/0	
15/0	Grand Central	14/6	
28/9	Highlands	28/9	−0/4½
12/0	Jugra Land	12/0	
32/6	Kuala Lumpur	32/6	
19/4½	Linggi	18/9	−0/3
4/0	London Asiatic	3/10½	
26/3	Malacca	25/7½	−0/6
31/10½	Malayalam	31/9	
3/4½	Merlimau Pegoh	3/3	−0/1½
17/6	Orient Trust	16/7½	
29/3	Rubber Trust	27/9	−0/9
21/3	Tandjong	20/7½	
21/3	Tandjong Malim	20/7½	
53/9	United Sua Betong	53/6	−0/6
8/6	Vallambrosa	8/0	−0/1½

Allagar	1/3		Kamuning	3/1½	−0/1½
Allied Sum.	17/10½	−0/3	Kepong (2/-)	3/3	−0/1½
Anglo Java (1/)	0/10½		Kepitigalla	1/4½	
Batu Tiga	29/4½	−0/7½	Kinta Kellas	2/3*	
Bernam Per'k	2/4½		Kombok	1/1½	
Bikam (2/-)	2/3	−0/1½	Kuala Sel.	2/10½	
Brit. I.G. Trst.	77½		Ledbury	20/7½	
Brit. E. Java	1/1½		Manch'r N. B.	12/6*	
BroomeSel (2/-)	2/10½	−0/1½	N. Hummock	10/0	
Buntar	1/6	−0/1½	P.P.K. (C'y'n)	11/3	
Castlefield	2/10½		Pataling	35/7½	
Central Perak	2/3	−0/1½	Perak (2/-)	2/3	
Chersonese	2/3		Rambutan	1/10½	
Cheviot	3/7½	−0/1½	Rim Malacca	2/0	
Cicely	3/3		Sedenak	23/6	−0/6
Djasinga	16/10½		Soember Ajoe.	1/4½	
East Sumatra	2/4½		Sungei Choh £1	12/6	
F. M. S. Plant	28/9		Sungei Siput	3/4½	−0/1½
Gen. Ceylon	18/1½		Taiping	1/4½	
Glenbervie	1/1½		Telegoredjo	19/9	−0/9
Golden Hope	21/0	−0/6	U. Serd'ng (2/-)	3/6‡	−0/1½
Gordon	1/4½		U. Sum'tra (1/-)	0/9	
Java Amal.	17/9	+0/6	Yam Seng	2/6	

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	9¼	−¼	Jokai	1⅞*	
Anglo-Ceylon	1⅜		Jorehaut	1⅞*	
Assam Con.	15/16		Kanan Devan	22	
Borelli	2 5/16*		Lebong	1 11/16	
Brit. Indian	2⅛*		Makum	15/16	
Ceylon Plant.	2 3/16		Nedeem	1 7/16	
Chargola	7/16		New Dimbula	2¾	
Co. Tea & L.	20	+¼	Nuwara Eliya	3⅛	
Darjeeling Co.	1 3/16		Peacock & Nil.	1/6	
Dimbula Valley	1 3/16		Pabbojan	2⅞*	
Dooars	2⅛*		Pundaloya	2	
Doom Dooma	2 5/16		Scottish Assam	1	
E. Assam	2⅛		Singlo	1 15/16*	
East. Produce	2 3/16		Sumatra	18/6*	
Empire	1 [illegible]*		Travancore	2	+⅛
Imperial	1 5/16		Upper Assam	1 9/16	

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

11/3	Argentine Land Invest.	10/9	11/9	
25/0	Do. Southern Land	23/6	24/6	
—	Covent Garden Ord.	22/6	23/6	
23/6	Forestal Land	23/0	24/0	
24/6	Hudson's Bay Ord.	24/9	25/9	−0/3
3/6	Pekin Syndicate	2/6	3/6	−0/6
32/6	Sudan Plantations	32/6	33/6	−0/9

MOTORS AND AEROPLANES.

—	Aero Engines	0/3	1/3	
31/3	Austin Motor (5/-)	29/6	30/6	−1/3
3/9	Boulton and Paul	3/6	4/6	
47/6	Bristol Aero (10/-)	47/6	48/6*	−0/6
1/1½	British Aircraft	0/9	1/3	
1 13/16	De Havilland	37/0	39/0	−0/9
19/3	Fairey Aviation	17/6	18/6*	−0/6
21/6	Ford Motors	21/3	22/3	−0/4½
50/0	Handley Page Pref.	27/0	28/6*	
—	Hawker (5/-)	25/0	26/0	−0/9
25/3	Hawker-Siddeley (5/-)	25/4½	25/10½	−0/7½
—	Imperial Airways	24/0	24/9	−0/9
4	Leyland Motors	4⅛	4¼	
31/3	Morris Motors	32/3	33/3	−0/3
—	Do. 7½ p.c. Pref.	30/7½	31/1½	+0/1½
9/3	Napier Ord. (5/-)	9/3	9/9	+0/3
4 9/16	Rolls Royce	4 7/16	4 9/16	
4/9	Singer Ord.	3/9	4/9	
15/0	Standard	14/3	15/3	−0/6
3	Tilling (Thomas)	58/6	60/6	−0/9

NEWSPAPERS.

24/6	Allied Newspapers Ord.	23/6	24/6	
—	Amal. Press (New)	16/0	17/6	
18/6	Assd. Newspaper Def.	17/0	18/0	−0/6
34/6	Daily Mail Trust	32/3	33/3	−1/0
18/4½	Daily Mirror Ord.	17/3	18/3*	−0/3
—	Financial Newspapers	3/9	4/3	
7/9	Odhams Press (4/-)	7/3	7/9	
1 21/32	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	32/6	33/6*	−0/3

NITRATES.

2/9	Lautaro Nitrate 7 p.c. Pref. (£5)	3/0	3/9	
—	Nitrate Sales 5 p.c. Deb.	70	75	

REFRESHMENT AND FOODS.

20/6	Aerated Bread	19/6	20/6*	−0/3
22/0	Bovril Def.	22/0	23/0	
0/9	Crosse and Blackwell	0/6	1/0	
3/4½	Home & Colonial (4/-)	3/0	3/9	−0/1½
11/9	Inter. Tea Ord. (5/-)	10/3	11/3*	−0/3
18/6	Lovell & Christmas Ord.	17/0	18/0	
5 9/16	Lyons (J.)	5⅝	5¾	
2/3	Maypole Def.	2/1½	2/4½	
—	Scribbans	7/9	8/6	
—	Do. Def.	5/0	6/0	
38/6	Schweppes Ord.	37/9	38/9	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	12/6	13/6	
37/9	Unilever (N.V.)	37/6	38/3	−0/1½

SHIPPING.

—	Cairn Line	5/3	6/3	−0/3
—	Clan Line	5¾	6¼	−⅛
—	Cunard Ord.	4/0	5/0	
—	Elder-Dempster Realisn.	9/3	10/3	−0/6
—	Furness Withy	21/6	22/6	−1/0
—	Houlder Pref. (£5)	5⅜	5⅞*	
—	P. and O. Def. (£1)	20/6	21/6	−1/0
—	Royal Mail Realisation	8/3	9/3	−0/3

TEXTILES AND ART. SILK.

5/0	Bleachers	4/9	5/3	
5/6	Bradford Dyers	5/1½	5/7½	
8/9	Do Pref.	7/9	8/9	
4/1½	British Celanese Ord.	4/9	5/3	−0/1½
7/4½	Do. 2nd Pref.	8/7½	9/1½	
3/0	British Enka Silk	⅛	3/16	
7/4½	Calico Printers	6/6	7/3	
3 5/16	Canadian Celanese	3 1/16	3 5/16*	−1/16
41/6	Coats	40/3	41/0	
45/6	Courtaulds	46/0	46/6	−0/7½
37/9	English Sewing Cotton	37/6	38/9	
6/3	Fine Spinners	5/9	6/3	
4/9	Jute Industries Pref.	4/6	5/0	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	32/6	33/9	
7/6	Lister Ord.	7/0	8/0	
49/0	Patons and Baldwins	48/0	49/3	−0/1½
2⅞	Snia Viscosa	2¾	3¼	
—	Whitworth Mitchell	15/0	16/0	

TOBACCOS.

5 3/16	British-American Tobacco	5 5/16	5⅜	−1/16
7 13/16	Carreras "A"	7 5/16	7 9/16*	−1/16
19/6	Do. "B" (2/6)	18/0	18/6*	−0/1½
—	Cope Bros.	2¾	2⅞	+1/16
—	Gallaher	6 5/16	6 5/16	
39/4½	Godfrey Phillips	38/6	39/6	+0/6
7¼	Imperial Tobacco	7 9/32	7 11/32	−1/32
52/3	Do Canada	53/0	54/0	+0/3
—	Tobacco Trust Ord.	3 5/16	3 7/16	+1/16
9	Do. Def.	1 11/16	1 13/16	−1/16
8¾	United Tobacco (Sth.)	8 5/16	8 7/16	+1/16

TELEGRAPHS, TELEPHONES.

27½	Anglo-American Def.	27	30	
1/1½	Baird Tel. Pref.	0/7½	0/10½	
2/3	Baird Tel. Def.	1/7½	2/1½	
102½	Cable & Wireless 5½ p.c. Pref.	102½	103½	
67½	Do. New Ord.	65½	66	−½
102½	Do. 4 p.c. Funded	100¼	102¼*	+¼
1 7/16	Marconi Marine	28/3	29/3	
5/0	Do. Canada	4/3	5/3	
—	Oriental Telephone	2¾	3	
6¾	Radio Corporation	5¾	6	−⅛

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

4 5/16	Associated Cement	4¼	4⅜	−3/32
14/3	Assd. British Pictures	14/9	15/9	
—	Beecham's Pills	34/6	35/6	
58/9	Do. Def. (5/-)	58/9	59/9*	
45/3	Boot's Pure Drug	44/6	45/6*	
27/6	Borax Cons. Def.	27/0	28/0	
12½	Brazilian Traction	12⅜	12⅝*	−⅛
46/0	British Aluminium	45/3	46/3	−0/6
35/6	British Match	34/6	35/6	
46/3	British Oil and Cake	46/0	47/0	
83/1½	British Oxygen Ord.	4⅛	4 3/16	−1/16
28/0	British Plaster Board	27/3	28/0	−0/7½
4⅜	British Portland Cement	4 1/16	4 5/16	
—	British Light and Power	25/6	26/6	
18/9	Cerebos Ord	8 13/16	8 15/16	
16/3	Crittall's Manufacturing	12/9	13/9†	
32/3	Dunlop Rubber	32/0	33/0	−0/3
36/3	Eastwoods Ord	36/6	38/6	
16/1½	Electrical and Musical	15/3	16/3	−0/3
24/3	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	1 5/32	1 9/32	
—	Finlay (James)	52/6	54/6*	+0/6
5/7½	Gaumont British	6/4½	6/10½	−0/4½
1/10½	Do. "A" Ord	2/7½	3/1½	−0/3
12/9	Do. 5½ p.c. Pref.	13/9	14/6	
—	Harland Wolff Ord.	6/6	7/3	−0/1½
35/1½	Imp. Chem. Indus. Ord.	34/3	35/3	−0/4½
33/6	Do Pref.	33/0	34/0	
—	Imp. Smelting Ord.	12/9	13/9	−0/3
—	Interni. Combustion	5 5/16	5 9/16	
43	International Nickels	42⅝	42⅞	−⅝
—	Do. Paint	3 15/32	3 17/32	−1/16
34/9	Lever Bros. Ord.	35/3	36/3	−0/4½
31/3	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	31/0	31/6	
33/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	33/0	33/6	
—	Lever N.V. Ord.	37/9	38/3	−0/4½
57/0	London Brick and F.	56/6	58/6	
4½	Murex	4 15/32	4 19/32	+1/32
27/6	National Canning	1 5/16	1 7/16	
—	Newman & Watson (3/-)	1/3	1/6	
—	North American Co.	18½	20½*	−½
—	Pye Radio Def.	11/6	12/6	
—	Reckitt Ord.	5 1/16	5 5/16	
—	Ste. Madeleine Sugar	16/6	17/6	
58/3	Spillers Ord.	58/0	59/0	−0/3
48/3	Do. Def.	47/0	48/0	−0/6
20/0	Swedish Match "B"	20/6	21/6	−0/6
80/3	Tate and Lyle	82/	83/0	−0/6
1 1/32	Triplex Glass	50/3	51/3	−1/3
—	Tube Investments	81/0	82/0	−1/6
4¼	Turner and Newall	4⅛	4¼*	−1/16
5/9	United Molasses	24/0	25/0*	−0/6
7/0	Wall Paper Def.	37/0	38/0	
2	White Tomkins Ord.	2 1/16	2 3/16	
38/3	Wiggins Teape Ord.	37/3	38/3	

LONDON MINING MARKET

KAFFIRS MAINLY EASIER

Following the fresh weakness overnight in Wall street, the Mining Market yesterday opened on a rather dull note. There was no question of any heavy liquidation being in progress, but some deterioration in sentiment was noticeable, and dealers, accordingly, quoted rather lower prices in most sections.

During the morning Kaffirs were mainly easier as the result of a little desultory local selling, but in the afternoon, with the appearance of the Cape and Paris as modest buyers, the tone became somewhat harder, so that at the close the tendency could be described as relatively firm, despite the fact that most issues showed trifling losses on balance.

Diamond shares, as usual, were the first to reflect the depression on Wall street, and finished on a very uncertain note, and, similarly, Rhodesian Coppers suffered a further reaction without much selling, however, taking place. Little interest was shown in West Africans, prices being usually the turn easier in the absence of support, and the same remarks applied to Australian Gold shares. Lead Zinc shares, in most instances, were inclined to weaken, and the Tin share market was also, if anything, rather easier. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U.—Dec. 13		
1⅞	Afric & Eur	1 27/32-1 29/32
2 27/32	Ang.A. Corp	2⅞-3—1/16
1 5/16	Anglo-French	1 9/32-1 11/32—1/32
2⅝	Brakpan	2 27/32-2 29/32
21⅞	Cont. Mining	23⅛-24¼
1 7/16	City Deep	1 13/32-1 15/32—1/32
3⅝	Con. Goldfi'ds	3 11/16-3¾—1/16
3 7/16	Cons. M. Reef	3½-3⅝+1/32
1⅝	Con. M. Sel.	1⅝ 1¾—1/16
14¾	Crown Mines	15 19/32-15 23/32+1/32
2	Daggafont'n 5/-	1 31/32-2 1/32
2 27/32	Durban Deep	2 13/16-2⅞
1 5/16	E. Daggafont'n	1⅛ 1¼
9¾	East Geduld.	9 15/16-10 1/16
2 25/32	E. Rand Prop.	2⅛-2 15/16—1/32
8/7½	E. Rand Cns.	8/6-9/0—0/3
9⅛	Geduld	9 11/16-9 13/16
1⅛	Golden Deep	1 7/32-1 9/32
4 11/16	Gen. Mining	4¾-4⅞—1/16
1⅜	Gov. Areas	1 13/32-1 15/32—1/32
4 5/16	Grootvlei	4¼-4⅜
3⅛	Johan Invsts	3 3/16-3¼—1/32
2 21/32	Kleinfontein	2 11/16 2 13/16—1/32
1 15/16	Knight's	1 15/16-2 1/16
1 3/16	Lace Prop.	1 3/16-1¼
16/3	Langlaagte E.	⅞-15/16+1/32
17/3	Libanon 10/-	17/10½-18/4½—0/7½
21/3	Luipards Vlei	19/6-20/0*
1 17/32	Modderfont'n	1¼-1 5/16
14/3	Modder B.	14/3-14/9
3¾	Modder East	3 11/16-3 13/16
4/9	New Cent. Wit.	4/3-4/9—0/6
2⅞	New S. Areas	3-3⅛+1/32
2⅞	Nigel	2 27/32-2 29/32
2	Nourse	1 15/16-2—1/32
13/0	Palmietkuil	13/0-13/6—0/3
7 11/16	Rand Mines	8-8⅛—1/16
1 11/16	Rand Select	1 23/32-1 27/32—1/32
2 11/32	Randfontein	2 11/32-2 13/32—1/32
2 15/16	Robin Deep B.	3 1/32-3 3/32
1 13/16	Rose Deep	1 13/16-1⅞
14/4½	Simmer & J.	14/0-14/6—0/1½
4	S. A. Lands	3 15/16-4 1/16
11/0	S. A. Towns	10/6-11/6—0/3
1 7/16	Sth.-W. Afr.	1⅜-1½
8/6	Spaarwater	8/4½ 8/10½—0/1½
1⅝	Springs	1 9/16-1⅝—1/32
9½	Sub Nigel	10 5/16-10 7/16†
6⅝	Trans. Del. B.	6½-6¾*
1 13/16	Trans. Col. L.	1 13/16-1 15/16
⅝	Trans. Gold	19/32-21/32
7 9/16	Union Corp.	7 13/16-8 1/16—1/16
1¼	VanD.Con. (10/0)	1¼-1 5/16+1/32
23/32	Van Ryn	23/32-27/32
1½	Do. Deep	1½-1 9/16
1 13/16	Venterspost	1¾-1 13/16—1/32
1⅞	Vereeniging	1¾-1⅞
1 13/32	Vlakfontein 10/	1⅜-1½
1	Vogelstruisbilt	1-1 1/16
1	Welgedacht	1¼ 1⅜
1 21/32	West R. Con.	1 11/16 1 13/16
1 17/32	Western Rfs.	1 19/32 1 21/32
2⅛	West Springs	2⅝-2 7/16—1/32
7	West Wit Ar	7⅝-7⅝—¼
1 5/16	Wit Deep	⅞-1 5/16—1/32

RHOD. AND EAST AF.

M.U.—Dec. 13		
7/6	Bechuana Ex	7/9-8/3
3	Cam & Motor	2 11/16-2 13/16
29/6	Char. B.S.A.	29/9-30/3—0/3
1/0	E.Af.Gold(5/0)	0/9-1/3
26/6	Globe-Phnx	26/0-27/0
10/3	Go'dF.Rhod	10/6-11/0
2/6	Loangwa	2/3-2/9
5/4½	Lon. Rhod	4/9-5/3
2/0	Lonely Reef	1/6-2/6
5/0	PhnxPnce(N.	4/9-5/3
15/6	Rezende	14/0-15/0
20/6	Rhod.A.Am.	21/6-22/0—0/6
3/10½	Rhod.Bkn.Hill	3/7½-3/10½—0/4½
4/3	Rhod.Corp.	3/10½-4/1½—0/1½
7/32	Rhod.Kat'ng	5/32-7/32
16/0	Rhod. Select	15/9-16/3—0/6
10	Rhokana C	10 11/16-10 13/16—⅛
16/6	Roan Antel.	17/7½-18/1½—0/7½
3/6	Rosterman(5/0	3/3-3/6
23/6	Select'n Tst	23/7½-24/1½—0/7½
5/9	Selukwe (2/6)	5/9-6/3—0/1½
3/9	Sherw'd Starr	3/3-3/9
9/0	Tangan.Con.	9/0-10/0+0/3
10/0	Do.6%Pref.	9/9-10/9
3 1/32	Vic.FallsOrd.	3-3⅛
40/0	Do. Pref.	2-2 1/16
1⅜	Wankie Col.	27/9-28/9
9/7½	Zamb. Expl.	8/9-9/9

AUSTRALIAN.

2 7/16	B. Hill Prop.	49/6-50/6—1/0
1 7/16	Do. Sth. New	1 11/32-1 13/32—1/32
3/0	Com'wth(5/0)	2/6-3/0—0/3
5/1½	Gt. Bould'r	5/0-5/6
16/6	Lake V.Star	16/0-16/6—0/1½
20/0	Lake V.Inv.	19/0-20/0
⅜	Mount Isa	5/16-7/16
2 3/32	Nth. Bn. Hill	1 31/32-2 3/32—3/32
1 31/32	Sons of Gwalia	39/3-40/3
15/6	Sth.Kalgurli	14/0-15/0
9/6	Sulphide Ord.	8/9-9/9*—0/3
19/6	Do. Pref.	18/9-19/9
7/6	Wiluna Gold	5/6-6/6—0/3
4	Zinc Ord. (10/0)	3 15/16-4 1/16—⅛
6	Do. Pref.	6-6½

DIAMOND.

25/32	Cons. Af. Sel.	15/6-16/6‡—0/6
10/0	Cons. S. W. Afr Pref. (10/0)	8/9-9/3—0/3
11¼	DeBeersDef.	11⅝-11⅞—¼
13	Do. Pref.	13⅜-13⅝
1½	Jagersf'tein	1⅝-1¾—⅛
4¾	Premier Pref	4¼-4¾
2/0	West Afr.	1/9-2/3

COPPER.

15/3	Messina	13/9-14/3*—0/9
1 5/16	Mount Lyell	1 3/16-1¼
18¼	Rio Tinto (£5)	18⅝ 18⅞—⅞
2 1/16	Tharsis	1⅞-2⅛—⅛

TIN.

M.U.—Dec. 13		
5/1½	Ampat (10/0)	4/6-5/0—0/3
3/0	Anglo-C. (10/0)	2/9-3/3
1 5/16	Aramayo	1 9/32-1 11/32
8/9	Associa'd	8/0-8/6*—0/1½
26/10½	Ayer Hitam	1¼-1 5/16—1/32
8/0	Bisichi	7/3-7/9—0/3
12/0	Gopeng	11/6-12/0
8/6	Idris Hydr Tin	7/6-8/6*—0/3
24/4½	Ipoh	24/0-24/6
7/16	Kaduna Synd	8/0-9/0*
11/3	Kamunting	10/7½-11/1½
14/6	Kram't Pul	13/3-13/9*
4/0	Lond. Tin (4/0)	3/9-4/3
35/7½	Malayan T, D	34/6-35/0—0/3
9/16	Naraguta	12/0-13/0
19/9	Pahang (5/0)	18/3-19/3
5/0	Pattani (5/0)	3/0-4/0*—0/6
19/6	Petaling	18/9-19/9—0/3
3/0	Rahm'n Hydr	2/9-3/3—0/3
1 3/16	Rambutan	15/9-16/9
1 5/16	Rawang Con.	25/7½-26/7½
2¼	Renong	2 5/32-2 7/32
25/6	Siamese	22/9-24/9—0/6
3/1½	Tavoy (4/0)	2/9-3/3—0/6
1 11/32	Tronoh (5/0)	1 7/32-1 9/32*—1/32

WEST AFRICAN.

13/9	Amal.Bt(5/0)	14/0-14/6—0/4½
8/6	Ariston	8/6-9/0—0/1½
3 3/16	Ashanti(4/0)	3 7/32-3 9/32
1/4½	Atta Gold	0/9-1/3—0/3
17/0	Bibiani	17/9 18/3—0/3
11/9	Fanti Cons.	11/6-12/0—0/3
23/9	G.Coast Sel.	24/0-24/6—0/4½
1½	Kwahu (2/0)	1½-1⅝—1/16
1/7½	L'dhurst Deep	1/6-2/0
14/9	Marlu Gold	15/1½ 15/7½—0/4½
1/0	Nth. Ashanti	0/10½-1/1½
1 3/16	Taqu'h & Abs.	1 5/32-1 7/32*

MISCELLANEOUS.

11/6	BurmaCorp	11/3-11/9—0/6
40/0	Champ. Reef	40/9-41/9
11/0	Chos. Corp.	½-⅝
2/0	Explor. (10/-)	1 1/16-1⅛
26/6	Frontino	1 11/32-1 13/32
4/9	Mex. Corpn.	4/6-5/6
2/9	Min. Trust	2/4½-2/10½
6	Min. Sepa't'n	5½-6½
7/3	Min. Crp. Can.	7/0-8/0—0/6
22/6	Mysore (10/0)	22/3-23/3—0/3
2⅝	Nundydroog	52/6-53/6—0/9
9/0	Ooregum	10/6-11/6
24/3	St. J. Del Bay	1 7/32-1 9/32
9/3	San F'risco	8/3-9/3—0/3
1	Tigon Ming.	1½-0/7½
20/0	Trepca	19/0-20/0—1/0
7/3	Waihi In.	6/6 7/6

* Ex dividend. † Ex rights. ‡ Ex bonus. § Ex opt.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS

Swedish Timber Exports

Swedish timber exports at December 15 totalled 840,000 standards. This leaves about 85,000 standards of the present year's quota unemployed. For shipment in 1938 so far only 70,000 standards of Swedish timber have been sold. While there exists a considerable demand for wooden goods in Germany, Italy and Hungary, all countries subjected to currency transfer regulations, the two main timber importers with free currency, Great Britain and Holland, hold considerable unsold stocks of timber.

Canadian Pacific Earnings

Net earnings of the Canadian Pacific Railway for November showed a decrease of 75,000 dollars on November, 1936. For the eleven months to date gross earnings are up by 6,513,000 dollars and net earnings are up by 1,048,000 dollars.

Imperial Tobacco Company

The transfer books of the "B" 6 per cent. and "C" 10 per cent. non-cumulative preference stock will be closed from the 17th to 31st January, 1938, both days inclusive, for the preparation of the dividend warrants, payable on 1st February, 1938.

French 5 p.c. Treasury Bond Issue

The 5 per Cent. Treasury Bond issue is closed. The amount subscribed will not be revealed probably until Friday, but it is believed that the figure is nearly 4,000,000,000 francs—approximately £26,666,666.—Reuter.

Buell Combustion Co., Ltd.

The directors announce that, as a consequence of the relatively short period in which the company has had the benefit of the working capital provided by the recent issue of Preference Shares and Notes, it is unlikely that a profit will be shown for the financial year which ends to-morrow. As the Cumulative Pref. dividend is only payable out of profits, the dividend falling due at the end of this month will, therefore, have to be deferred. Orders received by the company during recent months have been considerably in excess of anticipation, but the resulting profits cannot, in the majority of cases, be taken into account during the current financial year, as the greater number of contracts in hand will not be completed until after the end of the month.

A Year's Movement in Securities

A reminder of the extent to which security values fell in London during 1937 is provided by the usual compilation of the *Bankers' Magazine* relating to 365 representative securities. Between December 16, 1936, and December 16, 1937, these suffered a total depreciation of £662,258,000, equal to 8.9 per cent. The fall in 10 British and Indian funds exceeded £188,000,000, in 11 U.S. railroad shares it amounted to £117,550,000—a decline equal to 45.8 per cent.—and in 38 commercial and industrial shares the depreciation was fully £112,000,000, or 17.7 per cent. Ten oil shares declined by £33,285,000, 19 South African mines by £29,054,000, 14 iron, coal and steel shares by nearly £15,000,000—a movement equal to 28.7 per cent.—and 20 foreign railways by a little over £13,000,000, or 40.6 per cent. The nominal or par value of these securities is £6,683,433,000. The total valuation is now back to about the level of October, 1935, and the latest index number is the lowest for 1937, with the exception of that for November last.

MOTORS AND TEXTILES

BIRMINGHAM

Business small and movements adverse. Morris fell to 32/4½, Raleighs to 60/-, Leylands to 83/3, Rolls to 89/9, and Triplex to 50/9.

Alvis	4/-	Humbers	15/10½
Austins	30/9	Lucas	57/-
Do. "A"	27/3	Napiers	9/4½
Bluemels	33/6	Singers	4/3
Dennis	20/6	Standards	14/9
Enfields	24/-	Triumphs	1/4½
Fords	21/6	Dunlops	32/9
Guys	2/4½		

MANCHESTER

Textiles uncertain. Courtaulds and Turner and Newall relapsed sharply.

Bleachers	5/5-5/3	Cottons	37/6-38/6
Dyers	5/3-5/6	Velvets	3/6-4/-
"Slubbers"	5/6-5/9	Spinners	6/-6/3
Calicos	6/9-7/3	Henrys	13/3-13/6
Coats	41/-41/6	Turner and Newall	83/-84/-
Courtaulds	46/-46/6		
Dunlops	32/3-32/9	Wall Paper Def.	37/-38/-

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT

WEDNESDAY.

Barometer (at 5 p.m.)—30.50.

Wind and Weather—Easterly wind; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrivals—Lindenau, from Hamburg, with general cargo; Coeta, from Rotterdam, with sand; Theano, from Rotterdam via Belfast, with general cargo; City of Dublin, from Hamburg, with general cargo; Nordburg, from Huelva, with ore; Freya, from Hamburg and Antwerp, with general cargo; Rita Maersk, from Aalborg, with cement.

Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Connaught, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Slieve Bloom, from Holyhead, with goods; Fastnet, from Glasgow, with goods; Ardmore, from Garston, with bananas; Craigolive, from Silloth, with goods; Carrowdore, from Manchester, with empties; Clarecastle, from Liverpool, with empties; Squirrel, from Chester, with bricks; Pyrope, from Glasgow, with pig iron; Themla, from Birkenhead, with coals; Hunx 1X, from Berwick, with coals; St. Eunan, from Llanelly, with coals; St. Mungo, from Bellavale, from Ayr, with coals; Ringwall, Corteen, from Garston, with coals; Mostire Rose, from Preston, with coals; Merion, from Glasgow, with coals.

THE MONEY MARKET

SMALL RALLY IN SILVER

The premium over the dollar parity included in the price of gold shed another ½d. to 5d. yesterday. Yesterday's sale of gold was a fairly large one at £722,000. Dealings were done on the basis of 139s. 6½d. per fine ounce, a decline of ½d. compared with Tuesday. At the fixing the dollar was quoted at 4.99.75.

The discount rate for short, and also three months', bills was quoted 11/16 per cent. Money was in quiet demand at ½ per cent. There was no borrowing at the Bank of England.

"Bear" covering on a market in which offerings were small produced a rally in silver. Cash rose 1/16d. to 18 1/16d. per ounce, and forward was up by a similar amount at 18⅛d.

Bank Rate Discount (changed June 30, 1932), 2%

60 days (fine)	⅝	11/16 %					
3 months	⅝	11/16 %	Trade	2	2½	%	
4 "	⅝	11/16 %	"	2¼	2½	%	
6 "		⅝ %	"	2½	3	%	
Loans to Brokers Day-to-day					½	⅝	%
" for a week						½	%
Deposit Allowance Banks at Call						½	%
" Discount Houses at Call						½	%
" at Notice						¾	%

The news of the strike of Paris municipal employés brought the franc its worst day for some time past yesterday. Fears prevailed that the action of the Paris transport workers might provide the signal for a series of French labour disputes involving demands for increased wages to meet the rise in the cost of living.

The French authorities at first offered only a little opposition to the decline in the spot franc, but within an hour control of the market was tightened up and the exchange more or less "pegged" for the remainder of the day. Some official support was also provided in the forward market, but this was of a very intermittent character and failed to prevent a sharp all-round increase in discounts to the highest levels reached for some time past.

The weakness of the franc failed to disturb other currencies in the European group. An exception was the belga, which fell a victim to fresh withdrawals of refugee funds. Dollars were rather offered during the greater part of the day.

Centre	Dec. 29 Closing Rates		Dec. 28 Closing Rates		Parity before 20/9/31
New York	4.99⅞	4.99 15/16	4.99⅝	4.99¾	4.86⅔
Montreal	5.00½	5.00⅝	5.00⅜	5.00½	4.86⅔
Amsterdam	8.98¼	8.98⅜	8.98¼	8.98½	12.10
Berlin	12.40¼	12.41¼	12.40	12.41	20.43
Brussels	29.46¼	29.47¼	29.44½	29.45½	35.00
Copenhagen	22.38	22.42	22.38	22.42	25.22
Geneva	21.61½	21.62	21.61½	21.62½	18.15
Madrid	60.100 nom		60.100 nom		25.22
Milan	94 15/16	95 1/16	94 15/16	95 1/16	92.46
Oslo	19.88	19.92	19.88	19.92	18.15
Paris	147 7/32	147 5/16	147⅛	147 5/32	124.21
Stockholm	19.38	19.42	19.38	19.42	18.15
Alexandria	97⅝	97⅞	97⅝	97⅞	97.5
Athens	540	555	540	555	375
Helsingfors	225¾	226¼	225¾	226¼	193.2
Lisbon	110	110⅜	110	110⅜	110
Prague	142¼	142½	142 3/16	142 7/16	164.25
Vienna	25½	27½	25½	27½	34.58
Warsaw	26⅛	26⅝	26⅛	26⅝	43.38
B. Ayres	16.99	17.03	16.99	17.03	47.577
Lima 90 dys	20.00	21.00nom	20.00	21.00nom	17.38
Mexico*	17.50	18.50	17.50	18.50	9.76
M'video*	24¾	25¾	24¾	25¾	51 1/16
Rio de Jan.	2 17/32	2 19/32	2 19/32	2 21/32	5.89
Valparaiso	125 nom		125 nom		408
Calcutta	18 3/32	18 5/32	18 3/32	18 5/32	18
Hongkong	14⅞	15⅛	14⅞	15⅛	—
Kobe (p.yn.)	13 31/32	14 1/32	13 31/32	14 1/32	24
Shanghai*	14	14⅜	14	14⅜	—
Singapore*	28 1/16	28¼	28 1/16	28¼	2d

* Rate quoted in London.

INSURANCE SHARES

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Commercial Union, 10 1/16, £10 2/-; Eagle Star Ord., 77/6 (x.d.); Phœnix £1 (fully paid), 15 13/16, 16; Prudential, 34⅛; Royal Exchange, 9 15/16; Yorkshire, 8⅝.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Commercial Union, 10; Phœnix, 15 1/16; Royal, 8 1/16; Scottish Union, 16 1/16.

OIL YIELD

Venezuelan Oil Concessions—Production for the week ended 25th December, 1937, was—Bolivar district, 1,184,634 barrels; Maracaibo district, 40,960 barrels; total, 1,225,594 barrels.

Mexican Eagle Oil Co.—Production for the week ended 25th December, 1937, was 673,000 barrels.

FIRE FOUGHT BY TWENTY-FIVE FAMILIES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CARRICKMACROSS, Wednesday.

When fire broke out in the home of Patrick Martin, Cuchullian terrace, Carrickmacross, as the result of a petrol lamp explosion, the united efforts of twenty-five families in the terrace subdued the flames. All taps were turned on, and hundreds of buckets of water were rushed to the scene. They were able to confine the flames to the sittingroom, where the fire began. The explosion occurred when a daughter of the house attempted to turn off the lamp.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin, R. H. Bolton, Manager. Agents everywhere. —(Advt.)

When the steamer London Queen from London and Guernsey arrived in St. Helier Harbour, Jersey, a man was discovered in the hold, and was brought ashore and handed over to the police. He was Wilfred Arthur Kenney (25), a native of Leicester, and a private in the 2nd Sherwood Foresters, stationed in Guernsey. He appeared to be suffering from loss of memory, and had wounds on the head and arm.

IRISHMAN'S DIARY

The "Ph" in "Phthisis" : Tram-wires in O'Connell Street
The Telegraphist's Sunday : "The Good Earth" Coming
Constitution Day

The Great Day

Constitution Day is over, and I wonder which of us feels any different.

I am inclined to think that the Government made a mistake in not proclaiming the day a national holiday. Whether we approve or not of the new Constitution in all its details, it does mean something pretty big in the history of this country, and the day of its inauguration deserved to be celebrated in some distinctive fashion. As it is, only civil servants and unemployed have had a chance to partake in any of the formal junketings.

An occasion of the kind would have been celebrated in other lands with every sort of festivity. There would have been army parades, processions through the streets with floats carrying pretty girls, flags all over the place, and probably free beer. But nowadays we seem to take our festive occasions with all the cheerlessness of a chorus-girl at a Strindberg play. The brightest note of the day was the black flag flying over Sinn Fein's headquarters.

Thinking about it again, I am disposed to believe that the Government could have made a very jolly affair of Constitution Day if it had proclaimed not merely the day itself, but the preceding Tuesday as well, public holidays. The continuous leisure from Christmas Eve right up to Constitution Eve would have put everybody into fine form for the great day itself.

The Jungle

During the morning I ensconced myself in a third-floor window in O'Connell street, in order to have a new view of the procession making its way to the Pro-Cathedral. It looked very well. But, even from that excellent viewpoint, something was wrong, and it took me quite a while to discover what the matter was.

The trouble was the accursed jungle of tram-standards and wires that has done so much to turn O'Connell street from the finest street in Europe into one of the messiest-looking thoroughfares that ever passed for the central highway of a capital city. Seen from the ground, they are bad enough, but, seen from above, they are still worse.

I had hoped to take a few decent pictures of the cavalcade. It was out of the question; for at no point was it possible to get a photograph which would not be criss-crossed with wires and poles and all the horrible paraphernalia of Victorian transport.

The "Ph" in "Phthisis"

The torrent of sporting reminiscences that took rise from the sad news of Mr. Dan Rambaut's death a few weeks ago is still in spate.

Here is a contribution from Mr. Harry Rhys Maunsell, of Killiney:—

"You raise the question as to the identity of the person who was 'as much good as the "ph" in phthisis,' and also as to the identity of the writer of the phrase.

"It was written of J. H. Lyttle, the North of Ireland forward, in the account in the *Irish Times* in February, 1898, of the international match, Ireland v. England, played at Richmond. The following is a quotation from the report:—

"'From start to finish of the game Lyttle was about as useful as the "ph" in phthisis. He loafed about the packs in the most artistic fashion. He simulated work after the Rooke style, but sadly failed in all his impersonation save in the one fact that he did not go into the scrum. This is not as it should be, and it is certain the Selection Committee who were present will have taken cognisance of the fact.'

"I was informed on what I believe to be the best authority that the writer of the report was I. A. E. Mulligan, winner of the Irish 120 yards hurdle championship in 1894 and 1897.

"A little later an apology appeared in the *Irish Times*, and in this apology appeared the words:—

"'We sincerely regret that the reference which has caused Mr. Lyttle and his friends so much annoyance should have appeared in our column. Mr. Lyttle has in the past helped largely in the victories achieved by Ireland in the football arena, and that those who have the selection of International teams in their hands have every confidence in him is proved by their re-electing him to represent his Country against Scotland next Saturday.'"

Addenda et Corrigenda

So recently as Tuesday I lamented that that greatly praised film, "The Good Earth," showed no signs of coming to Dublin. Therein I confess myself guilty of negligence; for in the very same issue of this newspaper an advertisement announced it as "coming" to the Capitol Theatre.

It is pleasant to have to make this correction—and even more pleasant to learn that my reference to Mr. Montgomery's scissors was unduly pessimistic. The manager of the Capitol tells me that no cuts have been deemed necessary, and that the film will be seen in its full and proper form.

If I sinned, I sinned in good company. Our Film Correspondent, I perceive, has been complaining about the prolonged absence from Dublin of "The Life of Emile Zola"—which, like "The Good Earth," stars Paul Muni. Now I am informed that this film will be seen very soon at the Stephen's Green.

The Telegraphist's Sunday

Every time I have had occasion to visit the General Post Office on Sundays I have been struck by the apparent absence of mind of the man in charge of the counter. He will be absorbed in some abstruse calculation, checking little piles of money and stamps, and making sorties to a table in the corridor outside his little section. I am glad, at last, to discover a reason for all this.

I have been reading the *Advocate*, which is the official organ of the Association of Irish Post Office Clerks, and have found in its pages a description of the duties of the unfortunate man whose fate it is to attend the telegraph counter on Sundays.

The list of duties has been compiled with meticulous care, so that each unforgiving minute is filled with its sixty seconds' worth of distance run. The journal refers to the list as an illustration of "misapplied ingenuity," and says what everybody knows when it suggests that "nobody can concentrate on checking a stock and remain open to serve the public at the same time." As I have experienced this on more than one occasion myself, my agreement is complete and sincere.

Divided Attention

A glance at the said clerk's published list of duties will be sufficient to convince the public that stamps cannot be handed out immediately on demand.

The man who attends the counter between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., for example, has his time allocated as follows: Counter, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.; reliefs, 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; counter, 12.30 to 2.25 p.m.; travelling, 2.25 to 2.30 p.m.; postal relief, 2.30 to 3.10 p.m.; counter, 3.10 to 3.30 p.m.; handing over relief stock and travelling to instrument room, 3.30 to 3.40 p.m.; counter, 3.40 to 5 p.m.

There is a lot more about such mysterious things as YQ L, transferring relief credit stock, and booking off, and other matters which no outsider can hope to understand. But a public department which times its officials to the second has nothing to learn about scientific management.

QUIDNUNC.

RESTRICTIONS ON MILLINERY TRADE

TRAVELLERS' ASSOCIATION PLEA

Presiding last night at the annual general meeting of the Dublin branch of the United Commercial Travellers' Association of Great Britain and Ireland, in the Central Hotel, Dublin, Sir Thomas Robinson, who was unanimously re-elected President of the branch, said that the branch was in a wonderful state of activity and prosperity. It was gratifying to see so many present, and he wished all a very happy new year.

The Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. F. Weir, stated in the course of his report that during the year there had been a net gain in membership of forty-nine. Owing to changes, tariffs, licences and curtailment in many ways, the individual traveller to-day had sacrificed, perhaps, more than any other class in the community, not excepting the farmers and, if the proposed restrictions in the millinery business were going to be carried out, they would handicap to a tremendous extent men in that business.

Unrestricted and unlimited monopolies would not help to build a sound economic structure, because, with the best intentions, monopolists were bound to take out of it more than they could put in. On behalf of the members of the Association, he respectfully requested the Government to reconsider their decision in regard to the millinery business. If a move to create employment meant the causing of more unemployment, it was not sound business.

Mr. W. R. Willis was elected Chairman, and Mr. A. W. Kirkpatrick Vice-Chairman, for the ensuing year.

HE SUFFERED AGONY IN WET WEATHER

Rheumatism Attacked Limbs and Body

For years, the pain from rheumatism in wet weather was 'indescribable.' But all that is gone now—thanks to Kruschen. Read his letter:—

'I suffered rheumatism for years. I dreaded wet weather, when the pain was continuous and indescribable. At first it was confined to my limbs, but in time I began to suffer as much agony in my body as I did in my limbs. When I began to take Kruschen Salts I found it did me more good than all the other medicine I had taken put together. To-day, I have peace and freedom from pain, even during wet weather, and can heartily recommend Kruschen Salts to anyone who suffers from rheumatism or from bodily pains.'—N.W.

Rheumatic conditions are the result of an excess of uric acid in the body. Two of the ingredients in Kruschen Salts have the power of dissolving uric acid crystals. Other ingredients, only to be found in Kruschen, assist Nature to expel the dissolved crystals through the natural channels. In addition, there are still other salts in Kruschen which prevent food fermentation in the intestines, and thereby check the further accumulation of uric acid.

Kruschen Salts is obtainable at all Chemists at 1/9 per bottle.

ON THE WIRELESS

(Continued from Column 7.)

MIDLAND—296.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.).
10.15—Regional Programme.
8.35—A Conversation between the Midland Regional Director and the Midland Programme Director.
8.50—The Round Table Singers.
9.20—As Regional.
12. 0-12.20—National.

WALES—373.1 Metres (804 Kc.).
10.15—Regional.
6. 0—Evered Davies and his Band.
6.30—Gramophone (Negro Spirituals).
6.45—Regional.
7.30—"Youth Activities": South Wales Boys' Clubs. Captain J. Glynn-Jones.
8. 0—Rheidolian Glee Party (conductor, Richard Evans); Teddy Holmes (violoncello).
8.35—Regional.
9.20—"A Random." New Year Resolutions. A heart-to-heart conversation on a seasonable topic.
9.40—Cabaret, from St. Mellons Country Club. St. Mellons, with Sterndale Bennett and Fred Gregory.
10. 0-10.25—Regional.
12. 0-12.20—National.

WEST—285.7 Metres (1,050 Kc.).
10.45-6.0—National.
6. 0—Regional.
6.45—A Pianoforte Recital by Winifred Davey (Bax).
7. 0—Regional.
8.35—The Bristol Chamber Trio.
9.20—North.
10. 0—Regional.
10.25—Close down.

SCOTTISH—391.1 Metres (767 Kc.).
10.15—Regional.
6. 0—"Next Week You'll Hear."
6.10—"Saturday Sport": Hans Young and John Richardson.
6.20—Scottish Dance Music: The Strings of the B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.
6.45—Regional.
7.30—"Who's Here for Hogmanay?" A Radio Visitor's Book.
8. 0—"Scotland in 1937": A review of the year's happenings North of the Border. The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.
8.50—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra.
9.20-10.30—Regional.
2. 0-12.20—National.

ON THE CONTINENT

BERLIN (D) (1,571 M.).—8.0-11.0 p.m.—Ringing out the Old Year: Songs, Dances, and Marches

BEROMUNSTER (532.6 M.).—6.30-6.50 p.m.—Polish-Swiss Exchange Programme of Christmas and New Year Music.

BRUSSELS 2 (321.9 M.).—8.0-10.0 p.m.—New Year's Eve Revue by an Orchestra and Soloists.

COLOGNE (455.9 M.). — 6.30-7.30 p.m.—Musical Champagne: Choral and Orchestral Music with Soloists.

KALUNDBORG (1,250 M.).—6.30-7.30 p.m.—Concert of Scandinavian Music by the Radio Orchestra.

KONIGSBERG (291 M.).—8.0-10.0 p.m.—New Year's Eve Punch: Variety with an Orchestra and Soloists.

LEIPZIG (3322 M.).—7.10-10.55 p.m.—"All's Well That Ends Well": New Year's Eve Variety Concert.

MONTE CENERI (257.1 M.).—7.50-9.0 p.m.—With the Radio through the Centuries: Revue.

NAPLES (271.7 M.). — 8.40-9.10 p.m.—Old Time Variety, presented by Luciano Molinari.

RADIO PARIS (1,648 M.).—11.0 p.m.-12.0 midnight—New Year's Eve Programme. Surprise Party 38

VIENNA (506.8 M.).—9.30-10.55 p.m.—New Year's Eve Concert by the Deutschmeisterkapelle, the Station Band, the Boheme Quartet, and Soloists.

THIS EVENING'S R.D.S. LECTURE

The lecture, "Dogs and Their Owners," which is to be given at the Royal Dublin Society's premises this afternoon by Mr. John Woods, the well-known contributor to *Punch*, is expected to attract a large number of juveniles. Grown-up people, unaccompanied by children, are requested to take seats towards the back of the hall. The lecture will be repeated this evening at 8.15. In an advertisement appearing yesterday the date of this evening lecture was incorrectly given as December 31.

EIRE'S EXTERNAL TRADE

CHANGES IN EIGHT YEARS: POLICY OR ACCIDENT

By A Student of Economics.

WHILE Ministers and others enjoy moments of spiritual exaltation—as Saorstat Eireann passes into history and Eire makes its ceremonial entry into the comity of nations—is it too daring to suggest that the contents of certain official trade publications are not of less importance than those of many ponderous pages of constitutional compilations? Would it, indeed, be in derogation of the sincerity of their constitutional convictions if one suggested that, at this moment, the inner recesses of the minds of Mr. Sean MacEntee and Mr. Sean Lemass are more fully occupied with economic, than with constitutional, problems? Are we not, indeed, called on to assume that one acid test of the new Constitution's value will be found in its reactions upon the bread and butter affairs of the people of Eire? Upon any other assumption would we not be driven to the conclusion that Ministers were reckless of consequences which must cut deeply into human realities?

Rejecting such a theory of mere recklessness, and adopting the view that the economic programme of Mr. de Valera, and his colleagues and advisers, is founded on some considered and coherent—though possibly mistaken—conception of policy, one turns for enlightenment to a survey of external trade relationships as they prevailed prior to, and subsequent to, the assumption of executive responsibility by Fianna Fail.

In order to obtain a bird's eye view of some outstanding characteristic of the changes which have come about in the past eight years—during the latter half of which Fianna Fail's intensive policy of self-sufficiency has been given increasing effect—we may usefully consult the annexed diagram, all the dimensions of which are scaled interpretations of officially vouched records of imports, exports, and balances of trade.

"INVISIBLE" EXCHANGES

Two speculative and contentious elements enter into the measurement and appraisement of all returns of international trade. It is, therefore, desirable, in the first instance, to discover some common and agreed basis on which to establish useful comparisons between the respective results shown for the five years which the diagram portrays. While the substantial accuracy of the values of imports and exports as officially vouched may be accepted, official estimates of "invisible" exchanges (e.g., charges for transport, dividends on investments, and sundry remittances) vary widely, and are necessarily the results of official guesswork. The most authoritative estimates, however, indicate that the Soarstat's annual net gain from such "invisible" exchanges during recent years has been somewhere between £10,000,000 and £12,000,000; and there are good reasons for the presumption that such estimates are not entirely unreliable. If the higher figure, of £12,000,000 be accepted, it follows that the Saorstat's actual "adverse" balances of trade rose from about £2,000,000 annually in 1929 and 1931, to somewhere about £6,000,000 or £7,000,000 annually during the years 1935 and 1937. But, even if the approximate accuracy of such figures be questioned, one broad conclusion cannot be disputed—namely, that the Saorstat's annual adverse balances of trade have risen sharply since Mr. de Valera and his colleagues took office in 1932!

ADVERSE BALANCES RISE

At this point emphasis may be laid upon certain rather startling phenomena which are disclosed by our diagram. They are (1) that Saorstat exports have recently declined much more sharply than her corresponding imports; and (2) that the Saorstat's annual adverse balances have risen from about one-third of export values in 1929 and 1931 to more than nine-tenths of the export values of 1935 and 1937. Thus there has been a sharply widening gap between the annual values of Saorstat sales to and purchases from other countries, and it becomes necessary to consider how that new gap—or increased annual adverse balance of £6,000,000 or £7,000,000 yearly—has, in fact, been filled. The substantially correct answer is, of course, that Saorstat citizens (joint stock banks and private investors) have been compelled to realise investments which they held in other countries to the extent of somewhere about £6,000,000 or £7,000,000 annually during several recent years!

"REPATRIATED" CAPITAL

If that conclusion be accepted certain questions of profound and abiding importance arise. What, for instance, has been done with the proceeds of the capital investments so realised and withdrawn from abroad? To what extent has the amount so realised found its way into Saorstat industries and other investments? Is it desirable the capital resources of Saorstat citizens should continue to be "repatriated" at the rate of many millions yearly? How many years will be necessary to exhaust the external investments from which such withdrawals of capital can be made? When such external reserves of capital are exhausted, by what method is the "adverse" gap to be filled? By reductions of imports? By increases of exports? By both processes concurrently? Or—the "hanging" question!—by the importation of capital owned by non-nationals of Eire? And, if not by any, or all, of such processes—by what conceivable means?

So arise determining questions of high policy; issues which involve inevitable clashes between national sentiment and economic well-being. Issues—let it be noted—which have already begun to force themselves on the attention of industrial associations and manufacturers' federations, whose mixed memberships of national idealists and hardheaded commercial men "on the make," even now present the Minister of Industry and Commerce with psycho-financial problems of a distinctly baffling and disquieting order!

"OURSELVES ALONE"

Lest it be supposed that such disturbing happenings and prospects are set out with the purpose of discrediting the present Government, it is well to face the fact that the politico-economic outlooks of Fianna Fail and Fine Gael rest upon a common basis. Their differences have been quantitative rather than qualitative, the ultimate objective of both parties being the achievement of Arthur Griffith's ideal of "ourselves alone," to be made possible by "the creation of a national industrial arm." To both parties alike the investment of £100,000,000 or more by our joint stock banks in external securities represented an evil to be undone. Irish capital for Irish industry was, and is, the common war cry! Yet, with such common objectives, the sharply different methods of Fine Gael and Fianna Fail have led—and seem destined to lead—to widely different results. While Fine Gael, hastening slowly, gave the country time and opportunity "to live and learn," Fianna Fail—relying on speed and spectacular achievement for their moral effects—denied citizens every opportunity to gather the fruits of experience. Blind corners, which might have been safely negotiated at 20 miles an hour, were taken at racing speeds! Coveted prizes fell to the favoured and vocal few; but casualties multiplied silently by the wayside!

DANGEROUS SPEED

Yet, one is compelled to the conclusion that Ministers, in spite of all such appearances of reckless driving, have some coherent, and relatively far-sighted, conception of economic policy. Many eggs, they admit, are being broken in the making of a new omelette. They are fully familiar with the adversities portrayed in our diagram; yet their policy of high speed "capital repatriation" is ruthlessly to be pursued. Belts must be drawn tighter, and hair shirts must multiply, in order that Eire may become a self-sufficing entity in the eyes of other nations! Let us try to see the best that can be said for such a programme, which undeniably possesses certain "redeeming features." Who, for instance, will gainsay the immediate benefits which will be reaped from the Government's determined, though very costly, efforts to grapple with slum-tenement problems? Who can fairly resist decisions to increase outlays on public health services and other amenities, for lack of which our villages and countrysides have long suffered depopulation and decay? Who so reactionary as to say nay to capital outlays on primary and vocational schools and public libraries? Or who so blind to human realities as to question the wisdom of outlays for the relief of unemployment and for the mitigation of the manifold evils of poverty? And, if there be no other means than the realisation of external investments to provide resources for the liquidation of such social liabilities, who can question the legitimacy of such sacrifices?

"ECONOMIC WAR"

But—a very big "but!"—are there not other sources from which such admittedly necessary outlays may be derived? Faced with such clamant demands would not every consideration of prudence suggest steps to suspend—if not to abandon—costly economic hostilities with the community whose normal outlays on agricultural produce would go far to restore prosperity to tens of thousands of the farmsteads of Eire? Would such steps involve a sacrifice of political attitude? Would somebody have "to put their pride in their pocket"? Quite possibly—but why not? Sooner or later the financial reserves of external investment, without which Fianna Fail's economic programme would have remained a dream, will reach the point of exhaustion. Then the choice will lie between external borrowings and new levies on the produce of Eire's farms and factories. If, and when, that juncture arrives (probably within the coming five or seven years at the present rate of capital repatriation!) many illusions will be shattered. Sacrifices of political attitude, which might now be made in a spirit of generous realism, will become subjects of thankless bargainings in the market places of finance. Gestures which to-day might react to immeasurable benefit to thousands of sorely-straitened tillers of the soil will then be worse than useless. Nothing but interest rates and security values will count when the lender of to-day becomes the needy borrower of to-morrow!

"But"—says the critic—"why such ultra pessimistic anticipations? Will not our hundreds of new manufacturing enterprises be able to fill the gap in national finances long before the day of reckoning arrives?" To that question any dogmatic answer would necessarily be unconvincing. But it can be said with confidence that all industrial experience points towards two clear conclusions—first, that only a percentage of new industries manage to survive their early struggles; and, secondly, that the period during which surviving industries pass before they reach an established dividend-paying basis is usually much more prolonged than are the intervals anticipated by the most experienced organisers of industrial enterprise.

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Such has been the general experience of promoters of industries in communities with established industrial habits and traditions. In the face of such experience is it prudent to expect quicker and more profitable average results from a community which notoriously lacks industrial training and experience? Would not such anticipations suggest the wildest of gambles with improbabilities? Yet—if the Government's present economic policy be pursued—is it not mainly to the successful throw of industrial dice that we must look for the resources with which to fill that gap of £5,000,000 or £6,000,000 yearly which is filled to-day by "repetriations of capital?"

As aids to the right interpretation of the accompanying diagram, two further brief comments may be made. First, to point out that the variations shown indicate current price values, as distinct from quantities, of commodities exchanged. While declining prices accounted for small proportions of reductions in imports and exports between 1929 and 1933, the increases shown under both headings between 1933 and 1937 may be taken to represent the sharp price increases of recent years. The inference that the increases shown indicate actual additions to the exports and imports of 1933 should not, therefore, be drawn.

GROUPINGS OF IMPORTS

Finally, regard should be had to the distinction which Ministers have, quite properly, drawn between two descriptions of imports. Their claim that "capital" imports (such as machinery and factory equipment) should be distinguished from "consumption" (i.e., non-reproductive) imports is fully sustainable; and it is the fact that recent deliveries of machinery and other reproductive equipment have gone far to explain the disproportionate increases in imports, as compared with exports, as shown in our diagram for the year which ended last month. While such import analyses are important, there is the danger that their significance may quite easily be exaggerated; and, in any event, they do not affect the really vital factor which compels the realisation of Eire's capital assets. That fact is that exports of the Saorstat's agricultural products are to-day less than half their value of eight short years ago!

Have we thrown out the dirty water before the clear was available? Was the financial baby in the tub when Fianna Fail emptied out the bathwater of British trade?

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S TREAT

The annual Christmas party under the auspices of the Dublin Central Mission, held in George's Hall, South Great George's street, Dublin, yesterday evening, was a great success. The little guests, who numbered close on 500, were well looked after by the Rev. J. W. McKinney (Superintendent), Sister Anna Dunwoody, Messrs. J. H. Ross, T. Hughes, Joseph Cuthbertson, Miss G. Woodhouse (Secretary) and a number of other voluntary workers. Tea, with a lavish "spread" of good things, was enjoyed, and Santa Claus distributed gifts from the Christmas tree to all the "guests." Afterwards the children were entertained to a cinematograph display, and they also took part in a number of games.

ON THE WIRELESS

RADIO ATHLONE: Pantomime Relay, 8.0.
B.B.C. NATIONAL: "The Sinking of H.M.S. Audacious," 9.20.
LONDON REGIONAL: Variety, 7.50.
BRUSSELS NO. 1: Operetta, "The Land of Smiles" (Lehár), 8.0.
COLOGNE: Viennese Music, 3.0.
RADIO PARIS: Silvio Lazzari Concert, 8.30.
ROME: Opera, "L'Amico Fritz," 8.40.

TO-NIGHT'S relay by the Rome Station from the Royal Opera of the presentation of "Le Furiedi Arlecchino," by Lualdi and Mascagni's "L'Amico Fritz," reminds listeners that the Italian opera season—always an event of the first importance in the musical world—is now in full swing. The season at the Rome Royal Opera, which will continue throughout the first half of the new year and for six weeks beyond its usual closing date, June 25. The repertoire, from which, of course, many broadcast relays will be given, includes a complete performance of the Wagnerian "Ring" cycle and the first performances of two new operas, Strauss's "The Woman Without a Shadow" and Pietro Canonica's "Miranda." Maestro Serafin will be the first conductor, and three of the world's foremost tenors—Beniamino Gigli, Tito Schipa and Lauri Volpi—are engaged for the season.

The season at the famous La Scala, Milan, opened last Sunday night with a performance of Boito's "Mefistofele," which was relayed to listeners by the Rome group of stations. The occasion of the first relay nine years ago, in December, 1928, from this, the most famous opera house in the world, caused the engineers concerned considerable preliminary apprehension because special demands were made upon their skill owing to the unusual construction of the building. Fortunately, however, everything went well, and listeners ever since have heard relays from La Scala once—and sometimes even twice—a week during the season. Since nothing may be permitted to damage the reputation of this home of opera the greatest care is still given to the presentation of these broadcasts. The Chief Engineer of Milan Station, Signor Tottino, gives them his personal attention, installing and designing the relaying apparatus, attending all important rehearsals, and learning each opera by heart, so that he can personally control the broadcast of each performance without being required to refer to the musical score.

The new season's repertoire of La Scala includes such operas as Mozart's "Figaro," Bizet's "The Pearl Fishers," Massenet's "Le Jongleur de Notre Dame," Flotow's "Martha," and Donizetti's "Lucia di Lammermoor." Two entirely new operas—"Margherita di Cortona," by Refice, and Bianchi's "Proserpina"—will be presented for the first time, and also such works as Granados's "Goyescas," Rimsky-Korsakow's "Sadko," and "The Face of the Virgin," by Cammusi, will be having their first presentations to the exacting Milanese audiences, who are as world-famous as La Scala itself. Of course, the works of the three famous Italian composers, Verdi, Mascagni and Puccini, will also be well represented in the season's repertoire, and, as at Rome, there will be a complete performance of "The Ring."

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

RADIO ATHLONE—DUBLIN, 233 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.); **ATHLONE, 531 Metres** (565 Kc.) (100 Kw.); and **CORK, 242 Metres** (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.)
1.30-3.0 p.m.—Gramophone Concert.
5.30—Irish Radio Orchestra and Gladys MacNevin (soprano). Orchestra: Gipsy Baron Overture (Artok); Gladys MacNevin. Orchestra: Gems of Irish Song Selection (arr. Zalva); Gladys MacNevin. Orchestra: (a) Hymn to the Sun (Korsakov); (b) Dance of the Tumblers (Korsakov).
6.15—Pianoforte Music for the Young Student: "Grade III.," by Lilian Conolly.
6.35—Sgathan na nGaedheal.
6.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—"The Blind Eye," a Bonnie Prince Charlie Play, by Hal D. Stewart: The Leven Players; presented by Mary Macpherson.
7.30—The Daphne Garratt Salon Orchestra—Overture (Boieldieu); Irish Selection No. 1 (E. Gallacher); Sanctuary of the Heart (Ketelbey); Snow Flakes (Novelty) (Charlotin) (at the piano, Edith Rankin), Colombine's Rendezvous (Heykins).
8. 0—Relay of Pantomime: "Babes in the Wood," from the Father Matthew Hall.
9. 0—Chamber Music Recital by Herbert South (piano) and Robert Potterton (violin)—Violin and Piano Duets: Sonata in A major, Op. 30, No. 1 (Beethoven); (Allegro, Adagio, Allegretto); Sonatina in G minor (Schubert) (Andante, Minuet, Allegro).
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10.30—To-night's News. Programme concluded by Light Music.

NORTHERN IRELAND—307.1 Metres (977 Kc.).
10.15—Regional.
6.30—Gramophone Records: Tunes of 1937.
6.45—"All Things Considered": Northern Ireland News in retrospect. Graeme Roberts.
7. 0—Regional.
7.50—"Ulster Place Names": M. A. O'Brien, Ph.D.
8.10—"Turf Bog to Fireside": An electrical recording.
8.30—"Ulster Schools": Belfast Royal Academy, A. R. Foster.
8.50—An Organ Recital by J. T. Frankland, from the Cathedral Church of St. Columb, Londonderry.
9.15-12.0—Regional.

NATIONAL—1,500 Metres (200 Kc.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Time Signal, Greenwich. Weather Forecast.
10.45—At Home To-day.
11. 5—Gramophone.
11.45—The Trocadero Cinema Orchestra.
12.30—"At the Black Dog."
1. 0—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra; Horace Fellowes (violin).
2. 0—Gramophone: Musical Comedy of 1937.
2.50—"Things I Cannot Explain."
3.15—The Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra. Conductor, Richard Austin. Solo pianoforte, Mark Hambourg.
4.45—Tea-time Talk: Building a House, Mrs. Ray Strachey.
5. 0—The Dansant. Dancing this afternoon to the music of Jack White and his Collegians.
6. 0—Time, News, Weather.
6.20—Reviews of the Year. Books. E. M. Forster.
6.40—Pianoforte Recita by Maurice Cole.
7.15—Crescendo. A Gramophonic Diversion by John Burnaby and Leslie Perowne.
7.50—The B.B.C. Orchestra, conducted by Albert Coates.
9. 0—Time, News and Weather.
9.20—The Sinking of H.M.S. Audacious. By Charles Pemberton.
9.40—An Oboe Recital by Evelyn Rothwell.
10. 0—A Short Mid-Week Service, conducted by the Rev. W. H. Elliott, from St. Michael's, Chester square.
10.20—"Organeering." A Programme for Theatre Organ and Variety Orchestra, presented by Charles Shadwell and Reginald Foort.
11. 0—"Poetry Will Out." Studies in National Inspiration and Characteristic Forms. No. 5: The Icelandic Eddas. E. V. Gordon, Smith Professor of English Language and Philology in the University of Manchester.
11.15—Joe Kaye and his Orchestra, with June Malo and Sam Costa, from the Ritz Hotel.

REGIONAL—342.1 Metres (877 Kc.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45—Lloyd Thomas, at the Organ of the Granada, Woolwich.
11.15—The Kit-Cat Club Players.
11.45—A Ballad Concert. Muriel Gale (contralto), William Booth (tenor). Ireland Orchestra.
12.15—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra. Evelyn Gibb (soprano).
1. 0—"The Man Who Broke the Needle." A short story by Graham Sutton, read by the Author.
1.20—Gramophone (Dance Music)
2. 0—A Light Classical Concert. Mildred Watson (soprano). The Whinyates String Quartet.
2.45—The Band of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst.
3.45—Gramophone (Variety).
4.15—The Hotel Victoria Orchestra.
5. 0—Children's Hour.
6. 0—The B.B.C. Orchestra.
6.30—Rhythm Classics.
7. 0—Time, News, Weather.
7.30—Peter Warlock—4. Songs sung by Parry Jones (tenor).
7.50—Variety.
8.30—A Grand Christmas Concert will be held in the Landithy Hall, Madron, Cornwall.
9.15—"Cinderella." A new setting of an old story. Words and music by Spike Hughes
10. 0—Time, News, Weather, Sport Topical Talks. Joe Kaye and his Orchestra, with June Davies, Malo and Sam Costa, from the Ritz Hotel.
11.30—Time, News, Weather.
11.40-12.0—A Violoncello Recital by May Mukle.

MIDLAND—296.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.).
10.15—Regional.
6.30—Leslie James at the Organ of the Rialto Cinema, Coventry.
7. 0—Regional.
7.50—"Old-Time Dancing." Billy Merrin and his Commanders, with Rita Williams Riddle Claire, Tommy Littlewood.
8.30-12.0—Regional.

NORTH—449.1 Metres (668 Kc.).
10.15—Regional
11.45—A Ballad Concert. Lem Earnshaw (bari tone), Doris Wenham (contralto), Hilda Hejre Katt (Scene de la Csarda) (Hubay), The Bee (Schubert).
12.15—Regional.
6. 0—Horace Finch at the Organ of the Empress Ballroom, Blackpool.
6.30—Regional
7.50—"Ancient and Modern." A dialogue by T. Thompson, with Doris Gambell.
8. 0—Northern Concert Party: "The Nobodies," from Leslie's Pavilion, Rusholme, Manchester.
8.45—A Recital of Chamber Music. Alfred Barker (first violin), Fred Brough (second violin), Norman Cunliffe (viola), Haydn Rogerson (violoncello).
9.15-12.0—Regional.

WEST—285.7 Metres (1,050 Kc.).
10.45-5.0—National
6. 0—Regional.
6.30—"Coming Events." A pre-view of the activities of the Music and Outside Broadcast Departments for the coming quarter contributed by Reginald Redman and Leslie Bridgmont.
6.45—Gramophone (Variety).
7. 0—Regional.
8.30—A Grand Christmas Concert will be held in the Landithy Hall, Madron, Cornwall.
9.15—An excerpt from the Pantomime, "Cinderella," from the Prince's Theatre, Bristol.
10. 0—Regional
10.25—Close down.

WALES—373.1 Metres (804 Kc.).
10.15—Regional
5. 0—Children's Hour.
6. 0—A Young Artists' Programme. John Moorcraft (treble), Frank Flynn (violin), Patricia Pothecary (pianoforte).
6.30—The Club Four. Directed by Danny Davies.
7. 0—Regional.
7.30—Y Newyddion.
7.45—The Broughton and District Choral Society. Watcyn Watcyns (bass-baritone). From Bethlehem Church Hall, Rhos, Wrexham.
8.30—"The Worth of Man," a Play, by D. T. Davies.
9. 5—John Rorke and Claude Gardner in "Cinderella," a Studio Pantomime.
10.0-12.0—Regional.

SCOTTISH—391.1 Metres (767 Kc.).
10.15—Regional.
3.30—Mid-Week Service. Conducted by the Rev. David C. Stewart, D.D., The Church of Currie.
4. 0-5.0—Regional.
6. 0—Harmonica Harry.
6.10—For Scottish Farmers. "Hogmanay Memories." John R. Allan
6.30—Regional
7.50—A talk by the Scottish Regional Director.
8. 0—An excerpt from the Pantomime, "Santa Claus," from the Metropole Theatre, Glasgow.
8.30—Halbert Tatlock in Bitter Brevities.
8.45—"This Year, Next Year" a Perpetual Calendar.
9.15-12.0—Regional.

ON THE CONTINENT

BERLIN (D) (1,571 Metres).—8.15-9.0 p.m.—Goodbye to 1937—Sequence of Words and Music.
BRUSSELS 1. (483.9 Metres).—10.10-11.0 p.m.—Debussy Concert by the Gertler Quartet, with Songs and Piano Selections.
BUCHAREST (364.5 Metres).—7.20-9.10 p.m.—Schubert Concert by the Radio Symphony Orchestra.
BUDAPEST (549.5 Metres).—8.15-9.5 p.m.—Recital of Beethoven Piano Sonatas by Ernö Dohnányi.
FRANKFURT (251 Metres).—8.10-8.15 p.m.—The Seasons—Concert by the Cassel Orchestra.
HILVERSUM 2 (301.5 Metres).—7.50-8.10 p.m.—Negro Spirituals by the Avro Orchestra and the Amsterdam Vocal Quartet.
LEIPZIG (382.2 Metres).—7.10-9.0 p.m.—Review of 1937—Variety Concert by the Leipzig Symphony Orchestra, Choir, the Fricke Dance Band and Soloists.
PARIS (PTT) (431.7 Metres).—10.45 p.m.—Eight Russian Fairy Tales—Records.
RADIO PARIS (1,648 Metres).—8.30-10.30 p.m.—Sylvio Lazzari Concert in honour of the Composer's 80th Birthday. The National Orchestra, conducted by Inghelbrecht and the Composer
PRAGUE (470.2 Metres).—7.45-9.0 p.m.—The Czech Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Jirak

TO-MORROW

RADIO ATHLONE—DUBLIN, 233 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.), **ATHLONE, 531 Metres** (565 Kc.) (100 Kw.), and **CORK, 242 Metres** (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.)
1.30-3.0—Gramophone Concert.
5.30—The Best Records of 1937, compered by P. J. Duffy.
6.20—Joan Trimble, Piano Recital: Nocturne F major (Field), Gavotte—Caprice (Stavenhagen), Irish Tune from County Derry (arr Percy Grainger), Mazurka in B (Chopin), Chant Polonais No. 1 (Chopin).
6.35—Sgathan na nGaedheal.
6.45—To-day's News.
7. 0—Best Irish Books of the Year. By M. J. MacManus.
7.15—Moirin O'Connor, Violin Recital: La Plus que Lente (Debussy), Menuett (Handel), Hejre Katt (Scene de la Csarda) (Hubay), The Bee (Schubert).
7.30—"Time Flies." A Play for New Year's Eve, by Charles L. Gilbert.
8. 0—Irish Radio Orchestra and Michael O'Neill (Fiddle). Orchestra: Emerald Isle Selection (arr Langley) Michael O'Neill: The Scholar, The Green Mountain (Reels), The Dunleavy, Kildare Fancy (Hornpipes). Orchestra: Irish Scenes (Naylor). Michael O'Neill: The Bride's Favourite (Double Jig), Jenny Picking Cockles, The Ships are Sailing (Reels). Orchestra: Irish Dances (Ansell) (Hawkes).
8.40—"Hold Up." A Flight of Imagination, by Mathew O'Mahony.
9.10—Records.
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10.30—To-night's News.
10.45—Athlone's New Year Greeting to Celtic Nations. Messages in Irish, Scottish, Welsh, Manx and Breton.
10.55—Dublin Metropolitan Garda Ceilidhe Band, conducted by Superintendent O'Donnell Sweeney.
11.30—The World in 1937. A Radio Review of the Year's News.
12. 0—Welcome to 1938.

NORTHERN IRELAND—307.1 Metres (977 Kc.).
10.15—Regional.
6. 0—Don Wilson's Grancent Light Orchestra.
6.45—The Northern Ireland Regional Director.
7. 0—Regional.
8. 0—"Account Rendered." The Northern Ireland Regional Programme Director reviews a year's broadcasting.
8.40—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra. Frances Allsom (mezzo-soprano),

FRIENDSHIP WITH BRITAIN

CONSTITUTION AS THE BASIS

MR. CHILDERS' SPEECH AT GALWAY

THE new Constitution, said Mr. E. Childers at Galway last night, will grow on the people. Its effect will not be immediate, but will gradually strengthen the minds and encourage the nation. It provides a basis for lasting peace with England; for once the people's sovereignty is recognised the closest treaty of friendship can be entered into, to the advantage of both countries

The Opposition, who derided the new Constitution, forgot the origin of the old—forgot that thirteen clauses betokened the authority of the Crown, forgot that these clauses were included by threat of armed intervention, he continued.

If the Constitution, without clauses given to the people by themselves, was the same as the old Constitution, written partly in Westminster, released on the eve of the 1922 election, why was it that England was prepared to tear up the Treaty in 1922 rather than have any other Constitution? No country—least of all England—would tolerate a Constitution in which a foreign organ of government shared with the people the fountain of sovereignty. The Irish people would gradually come to appreciate the Constitution. The removal of the humiliations of 1921, the establishment of the principle that the Irish people were the executive authority, would increase the self-confidence of the people.

SPIRITUAL INCENTIVE

The very fact that this Constitution had been derided proved the necessity for its coming. For years Irishmen had gone out making other Empires, winning battles, conquering disease, preaching and administering everywhere. Over Ireland had hung a cloud of discouragement. The people had had little confidence in themselves. They did not believe that, with courage and intelligence, they could be one of the finest democracies in the world. Tariffs and other materialist elements would help to create opportunities for self-government, but more was needed. The new Constitution provided the spiritual incentive for the nation.

The world was to-day wracked with war and increasing natural jealousies. At some period or other the reason for this could be ascribed to treaties humiliating to national pride. It was as futile for the *Irish Times* to deny the value of the new Constitution as it would be if they claimed that the removal of the war-guilt clause from the Treaty of Versailles would have made no difference to the life of Germany in the 1920s.

UNITY

The next task lying ahead was unity. It was as great a task as had ever been faced by the people. All the protests, all the flag-waving, all the violent speeches would be worse than futile in solving this great problem. The first and greatest step was to end once and for all the old political controversy created by the civil war. The new Constitution had removed most of the basis for argument. It would be necessary to convince the North that the people of the present jurisdiction were orderly and resolutely efficient in their government. Every cry of bankruptcy, every blowing up of a statue, every exaggerated bitter criticism in the Dail would help to retain partition.

Dignity of government, the unwillingness to sacrifice national prestige in order to hurt a political opponent were the paths to be followed. Just as people all over the world were praising the new Constitution, while people here disparaged it, so visitors to Ireland could see no cause for the violence of political argument in the Dail. If the Irish people really desired unity then every step taken by any political party to exaggerate a particular aspect of social policy in order to draw the attention of the people to that party would lead that party into the wilderness.

MOTHER OF SEVEN CHILDREN

ACCUSED OF MURDERING HER HUSBAND

Mother of seven children, including twins, a boy and a girl, aged five, Mrs. Caroline Williams (48), of Scotland street, Llanrwst, Denbighshire, appeared before a special sitting of the Llanrwst magistrates yesterday, charged with the wilful murder of her husband, William Williams (68), who was a partly crippled hawker, and formerly a collier.

Superintendent Tomkins said that between 4.15 and 4.30 p.m. on Christmas Day Inspector Owen, of Llanrwst, visited Williams's house and found him dead, with a wound on the left side of the head.

The Superintendent added that Mrs. Williams made a statement, which he did not propose to put in at that stage.

Mrs. Williams, who was represented by Mr. David Thomas, was remanded in custody until January 6th, and an application for legal aid was granted.

Later a man, who had been detained earlier in the day, appeared before the magistrates, but after a consultation between the Chief Constable of Denbighshire (Mr. G. T. Guest), Superintendent Tomkins and Mr. William Jones, Clerk of the Peace for the County, it was announced that no charge would be preferred against the man that day.

Mr. Guest afterwards told a reporter: "The man will be detained in custody pending inquiries."

The inquest on Williams was opened on Tuesday, and was adjourned until January 10th, after evidence of identification had been taken.

PRIMROSES IN TIPPERARY

As a result of the mild, springlike weather, primroses are in bloom in sheltered corners of yards and gardens in Tipperary Town.

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Matins at 10 o'clock. Psalm, 26. Jubilate, 53. Hymn, 105. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Psalm, 139 Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, Garrett in F. "Love came down at Christmas," Carol X.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. — Morning Prayer at 10.45 o'clock. Benedictus. Hymn, 432. Evening Prayer at 3 o'clock Tours in F. Anthem, "Hide Thy face," West.

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FREEMASONRY IN 1937

MEMORABLE YEAR OF PROGRESS

THE KING AND THE GRAND LODGE

CORONATION Year has been one of much activity in the world of Freemasonry, culminating in the great meeting of Grand Lodge at the Royal Albert Hall on June 30, at which, unfortunately, the Grand Master, the Duke of Connaught, was unable to be present. The presence of the King on that occasion would have secured a record attendance in any event, but when it was believed that the Sovereign would take an active part in the proceedings, the interest was increased. The King, who had accepted on March 3 the office of Past Grand Master, was invested by the Earl of Harewood, Pro Grand Master, in that office, and subsequently occupied the chair, when, on behalf of the Grand Master, he invested the brethren appointed to Past Rank, including the late Mr. R. W. Bingham, the American Ambassador, as Past Grand Warden. Although the Royal Family has for nearly two centuries been prominent in Freemasonry, this was the first occasion on which a Sovereign presided in Grand Lodge.

Apart from this national and imperial event, Freemasonry in England has continued its steady progress. There were at the end of September 4,997 Lodges under the United Grand Lodge of England, an increase of 54, of which 21 are new London Lodges, 31 Provincial Lodges, and two Lodges oversea; in addition, there were 1,880 Royal Arch Chapters, an increase of 23 (eight London and 15 provincial).

IRELAND

The Grand Lodges of Ireland (established 1725) and Scotland (established 1736) are in complete amity with England, and have many Lodges scattered throughout the Empire, where there are many independent Sovereign Grand Lodges—Canada, 9; Australia, 6; New Zealand, 1. In the Western Hemisphere there are, in addition to the 49 Grand Lodges in the United States, many others in Central and South America Mexico, and the West Indies. In the Eastern Hemisphere there are 14 Sovereign Grand Lodges "recognised" by England, of which the Scandinavian group—Sweden, Norway, Denmark, and Finland—are perhaps the nearest to the English model. Most of the other European Grand Lodges have fallen under a political ban or are otherwise inactive. In Switzerland, which has German and Italian influences on two sides, a referendum was recently taken on the question of the suppression of all secret societies (including Freemasonry), but by more than two to one the Swiss electorate declared against such legislation.

POLITICS BARRED

England and the two sister Grand Lodges are not only the oldest regularised organisations but are also the most emphatic in the prohibition of political or religious discussions in the Lodges, as well as in the prohibition of women as members. At the September meeting of Grand Lodge at Leeds, the Pro-Grand Master, Lord Harewood, referred to circulars which had been sent to various Masonic Lodges asking for support on practically political grounds for Abyssinian refugees, and pointed out the inadvisability of acceding to such requests. Such strict adherence to the well-defined principles of Freemasonry is in striking contrast to what has happened in other countries where different opinions have prevailed, and where interference in politics and religion has been the cause of either complete or partial suppression.

The Grand Lodges of England, Ireland and Scotland have for many years not been in relationship with the so-called Masonic organisation in those countries, and the exchange of visiting has been forbidden, so that there is a complete gulf between Freemasonry in these islands and in other countries which are less rigid in their adherence to principle.

SCHOOLS

The Girls' Schools at Rickmansworth (where 400 girls are housed and educated) and at Weybridge, where 125 younger children are similarly provided for, indicate part of the activities of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls; for in addition many hundreds of girls receive grants for out-education, thus enabling them to live with their relatives, and a number receive help to enable them to proceed to further training after their school life. In similar manner the Boys' Schools at Bushey, 400 in the senior school and 400 in the junior school, are maintained, and there are hundreds of other boys receiving out-education and help towards higher education after school. For old people there are at Croydon homes for 32 annuitants. The natural desire has been against institutional life for the old people, and there are now over 2,200 annuitants receiving every quarter incomes which are sent to them privately.

These three institutions are maintained by voluntary subscriptions. Each year sums never falling below £300,000 and often rising above that figure are collected. In addition the Freemasons support the Royal Masonic Hospital, Ravenscourt Park, W.6, which was opened in July, 1933, by King George V. and provides 200 beds, including wards for small children. A nurses' home has now been built within the grounds.

HEADQUARTERS EXECUTIVE

This year a new member has been added to the Headquarters Executive in the person of Brigadier-General W. H. V. Darell, who, as Assistant Grand Master, will be in frequent attendance at Freemasons' Hall, and will undertake some of the duties which had been carried out by the late Grand Secretary, Sir Philip Colville Smith. Mr. Sydney White, his successor, has had 20 years' experience as Assistant or Deputy Grand Secretary.

In addition to the United Grand Lodge, or the "Craft" (as it is properly called) and the Royal Arch, which is its ancillary, there are several other Masonic organisations. Of these the largest is the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons, which controls 809 Lodges, and has in project the rebuilding and enlarging of Mark Masons Hall. Mark Grand Lodge has its own benevolent fund, the sixty-ninth anniversary of which was held this year, when £11,066 was received. The Mark Benevolent Fund has distributed £190,000 since the inception of the fund, and now has 36 annuitants, and also contributes to the education of a number of girls and boys.

MORE HOSPITAL BEDS NEEDED

DOCTORS' REPORTS TO DUBLIN BOARD

The need for greater accommodation in the Dublin hospitals for fever patients was mentioned at yesterday's meeting of the Dublin Board of Assistance. Mr. R. Blake (Vice-Chairman) presided.

Letters were read from various dispensary doctors, who stated that the accommodation for such cases was wholly inadequate. In several instances it was pointed out that there was great difficulty in having fever patients admitted to city hospitals between 1 p.m. on Saturdays and 10 a.m. on Mondays. Other doctors suggested that measles and whooping cough should be made diseases notifiable by law.

Alderman P. J. Medlar said that during the past twelve months 1,100 fever cases had been refused admission to Dublin hospitals.

Mrs. Maud Walsh moved, and Dr. Hannigan seconded, a resolution calling on the Medical Officer of Health to make measles and whooping cough notifiable diseases.

Dr. Hannigan said that it was a curious anomaly that there were districts in Dublin where these diseases were notifiable, even though comparatively few cases occurred there, whereas in districts where there were large outbreaks the diseases did not require to be notified.

The resolution was defeated.

The relief surveyors reported that during last week 7,244 cases were relieved, at a cost of £3,607 14s. 8d., this being a decrease of 144 cases, and £48 6s. 2d., from the previous week, and an increase of 553 cases, and £187 7s. 8d., on the corresponding week of last year.

THE FUTURE OF TELEVISION

SIR HARRY GREER ON PROGRAMMES

"NOT SUFFICIENTLY INTERESTING"

SIR HARRY GREER, presiding at the general meeting of the Baird Television Company, Limited, in London, yesterday, made striking criticisms of the television programmes.

Twelve months ago, he said, they all genuinely believed that the stage of experimentation had nearly passed, that the era of television had arrived, and that they could safely anticipate a growing sale of home receivers.

"When the first transmissions were made from the Alexandra Palace," he added, "everyone in the industry had great expectations that the public would welcome with open arms the era of this new science, not only as a form of entertainment, but for industrial purposes.

"It may be that long years of anticipation had led the public to believe that. . . at any hour of the day they could raise the cover of a television cabinet in their homes or offices, or elsewhere, and in tabloid pictorial form see, as well as hear, events of outstanding interest.

"I have not the slightest doubt, and, indeed, I am expressing the opinion of some of the best television brains in the world, that in time—and possibly in the very near future—we shall be able to see and hear at the moment of the actual happening events which in the past, because of time and distance, we were debarred from witnessing."

SERIOUS DRAWBACKS

Observing that he was not going to quarrel with the B.B.C., Sir Harry Greer added: "The programmes they have produced they claim to be consistent with the financial resources at their disposal. We are deeply concerned with this, as it cannot be denied that the programmes broadcast up to date, with few exceptions, have not been sufficiently interesting to attract the public. The inconvenient hours at which the services are broadcast constitute a further serious drawback.

"When you consider that there are about 8½ million wireless licences in Great Britain, when television is in full swing and programmes of popular appeal are broadcast at convenient hours the potentialities of this business can easily be visualised. But it is manifestly unfair, taking into consideration the enormous sums spent by private enterprise to perfect this great art, possessing unlimited possibilities, that it should be cramped and possibly stultified by the parsimony of the Government."

Sir Harry announced that he hopes to submit a capital scheme to shareholders in the early months of the new year. Meanwhile, he said, we have the assurance of the friends who have stood by us for so many years that our needs will be furnished until we are ready to submit these proposals.

Mr. J. L. Baird said that within the last year they had succeeded in transmitting large screen television images by wireless in colour. The new process still required much development, but he was convinced that in time colour television would supersede the present black-and-white picture.

WEDDINGS

THE REV. VICTOR PIKE AND MISS B. FREND

The Rev. Victor Pike, Irish Rugby international, and former Hampshire captain, was married yesterday at St. Michael's Church, Chester square, London, to Miss Biddy Frend.

The Rev. Victor Pike, who is a lecturer at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, has played Rugby thirteen times for Ireland. He was a member of the Hampshire Rugby Championship Fifteen in 1935-'36, and captained the side in 1934-'35.

MR. P. F. CRAIG-MARTIN AND MISS R. M. GARGAN

The wedding took place at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, Dublin, yesterday, of Mr. Paul F. Craig-Martin, B.A. (Mod.), LL.B., T.C.D., of London, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Craig-Martin, Blackrock House, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, and Rhona Mary, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gargan, of Mount Errol, Stillorgan road, Dublin.

The ceremony was performed by the Right Rev. Monsignor Molony, P.P., who also celebrated Mass and gave the Nuptial Blessing.

The bride wore a clover wool two-piece, with a hat to match.

Miss W. Gargan (sister), who wore turquoise, was bridesmaid, and Mr. Dermot Gargan (brother) acted as best man.

The bride and bridegroom had breakfast at Mount Errol before leaving for their honeymoon.

MR. H. McNICOL AND MISS A. D. MACONCHY

Mr. Harry McNicol, B.A. (Mod.), elder son of Mr. T. H. McNicol and Mrs. McNicol, of Osborne Drive, Belfast, was married to Miss Ann Doyne, only daughter of the late Frederick Fitzjohn Maconchy and Mrs. Maconchy, Appian Way, Dublin, and granddaughter of the late Richard Deane-Freeman, at Christ Church, Leeson Park, Dublin, yesterday.

The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. J. J. F. Maconchy, B.A. (brother of the bride) who was assisted by Canon A. E. Hughes, M.A., and the Rev. G. Lowe, M.A.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. N. Ormsby-Scott, wore a petrol-blue coat trimmed with skunk opossum, together with a brown velvet hat made on a foundation of net, with a veil at the back. She carried a spray of lillies of the valley.

Mr. John Hall acted as best man, and Miss Margaret McNicol, sister of the bridegroom, who wore a petrol-blue coat trimmed with grey, was bridesmaid. Mr. H. Sherrard was at the organ.

After the ceremony the bride and bridegroom left for York, England, where the honeymoon will be spent.

MR. BERNARD PEGUM AND MISS F. E. STRITCH

The wedding of Mr. Bernard Pegum, of the Royal Engineers, Instructor of Territorials, Salford, and Miss Frances Ellen Stritch (Nello), only daughter of the late Captain G. Seymour Stritch, Connaught Rangers, took place on December 23, at Lisbellaw Parish Church.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Canon R. McTighe, LL.D., Rector of Lisbellaw, and the Rev. A. T. I. Ford, of C.M.S., Belfast.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Captain G. H. Noblett, M.C., wore a charming Empire gown of white slipper satin made with a short train and silver trimming. Her tulle veil was held in place by a wreath of orange blossom, and she carried a bouquet of scarlet carnations, lilies of the valley, and white heather.

The two bridesmaids—Miss Mildred Reside and Miss Phyllis Noblett (cousin of the bride)—wore mauve lace redingotes over taffeta, with mauve velvet sashes. They had Juliet caps and muffs of the same velvet trimmed with St. Brigid anemones.

Mr. George Seymour Stritch, brother of the bride, acted as best man.

Lisbellaw Church had been artistically decorated for the occasion with chrysanthemums, holly and ivy, and the music was arranged by Miss A. White.

After the ceremony a reception was held at Lisnaan, the residence of Canon and Mrs. Ford, and later in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Pegum left for their honeymoon, which will be spent in England.

Two persons were killed, four fatally injured and twelve severely hurt when a boiler exploded and caused a fire at a coal mine at Gyngys, near Budapest.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

WHISKEY AND WINE STOLEN

FOUR MEN CHARGED AND REMANDED

(BEFORE MR. L. CONROY.)

Peter Redmond, Poole street; Daniel Winters, John Wriggs and Patrick Locke, all of Braithwaite street, were charged by Inspector Murphy, Detective Officers Goggin and Leonard, with having broken into the licensed premises of Patrick O'Connor, Pimlico, on the night of December 24th, and stealing whiskey, wine, cigarettes and cash.

Inspector Murphy stated that Redmond, Winters and Locke, when charged and cautioned, replied that they had nothing to say. Wriggs said: "I have not stolen property because I was not there."

The four men were remanded, on bail, for a week.

Mr. D. O'Donovan (Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted.

ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF GOLD CASE

CHARGE AGAINST DUBLIN MAN

Bernard Moore, Lower Bridge street, was charged with being in illegal possession of a gold cigarette case, which bears the initials "A.G.F."

Detective O'Shea stated that he arrested Moore in a pawn office, where he tried to pledge the case. When asked where he got it he said that he got it from his sister about twelve months ago. The Guards had ascertained that the sister died, not two years ago, as the defendant said, but seven years ago. Moore then said that he always got mixed up in dates, and added: "I made a fool of myself."

Asked by the Justice what the value of the case was, the witness said that it had been valued at a selling price of £40. The actual weight of gold in the case was valued at £15.

Moore was remanded for a week.

PUBLIC MISCHIEF CHARGE

DUBLIN MAN REMANDED

Timothy McNamara, Morehampton Garage, Morehampton road, Dublin, was charged by Inspector D. F. Maher, Detective Officers Golden, Pluck and Duffy with causing a public mischief by alleging that his motor car, value £45, had been stolen from outside his garage on the 3rd June last, when he had hired the motor car on the same date to Ambrose Doyne, who at the time resided at Straffan, Co. Kildare, who was subsequently arrested on an information sworn by McNamara, the charge of having the car without the permission of the owner against Doyne being dismissed.

McNamara was remanded on bail until Saturday next.

Mr. D. O'Donovan (Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted, and Mr. John Farrell (instructed by Messrs. Little, O hUadhaigh and Proud) defended.

MAGISTRATE WOULD NOT CONVICT

BELFAST LARCENY CHARGE

"I am not going to convict in this case. It is perfectly obvious what occurred," said Mr. J. H. Campbell, R.M., at Belfast Custody Court after hearing the principal witness for the prosecution in the case in which Denis Bergin, of Iris road, Cabra, Dublin, was charged with stealing a handbag containing about 35s., the property of Mrs. Maria Treanor, Butler street.

Mrs. Treanor stated she was in a public-house on Monday with two women friends and they met the defendant and two companions. They had a few drinks, and later, when leaving to attend a dance, Bergin took her handbag.

The R.M.—Does your husband know about this conduct on your part?—No, he is on the police in Dublin.

Mr. Campbell—Why did he take your bag?—I don't know.

The R.M.—That is what I thought.

Mr. Campbell then made the remark quoted at the outset.

RARE MEDAL SECURED FOR DERRY

COMMEMORATED THE END OF THE SIEGE

From Our Correspondent.

LONDONDERRY, Wednesday.

The Dean of Londonderry Cathedral (the Very Rev. R. G. S. King, M.A.) has secured for the Chapter House collection a very fine specimen of one of the rarest medals of Irish interest. It was struck in Holland to commemorate the Relief of Londonderry in 1689, when the famous Siege of Londonderry ended.

An exceedingly rare medal, it probably is the only one in existence in the country, and it was obtained after a ten years' search and wait.

The medal has on the front a bust of King William, with tokens of plenty, peace, deliverance of Europe from slavery, the restoration of the Anglican Church. In the distance, with the sun shining, is the city of Londonderry, and on a pedestal the inscription: "William, the Very Great. In Belgium, the Liberator. In Britain, the Restorer. Londonderry, 1689." On the other side of the medal is the King of France, Louis XIV., with various symbols supporting the inscription: "Louis the Great. In Germany, barbarous. In France, a tyrant."

PRIMROSES AS CURE FOR JAUNDICE

EVIDENCE AT INQUEST ON WOMAN

From Our Correspondent.

GORESBRIDGE, Wednesday.

Dr. L. Doyle, Coroner for County Carlow, opened and adjourned an inquest at Muinebheag on Mrs. Nora O'Connor (56), Rockview House, Muinebheag, who died on Sunday morning, pending the evidence of the State Pathologist, Dr. McGrath.

Thomas O'Connor, an engine driver on the G.S.R., gave evidence of identification, and deposed that his wife was not looking well for the past month or two, and was suffering from jaundice for the past three weeks.

Mary Nolan, Philip street, Muinebheag, deposed that Thomas O'Connor, junior, came to her on December 5th and asked her if she could do anything for his mother, who was bad with jaundice. She told him to send up a quart of milk, which he did. After getting the milk she went to the fields, where she picked up a number of primroses. She washed them three times in spring water and left them steeping for a considerable time overnight in water. Then she boiled them for one-and-a-half hours and mixed them with the milk and strained them through a muslin cloth. She told Mrs. O'Connor to take a wineglass full every morning, fasting. On the 14th December her son came again, and she did the same thing, but this time only boiled it for one hour in order to make the mixture lighter.

This cure, witness added, was handed down to her from her mother, and had been successfully given to others on different occasions. She never received any payment for it.

Dr. T. J. Farrell, Muinebheag, and Dr. E. Dundon, Borris, gave evidence of having carried out a *post-mortem* examination.

The Assistant People's Commissar for Foreign Affairs, M. Stomonyakoff, and the Japanese Ambassador to the U.S.S.R., M. Shiegemitsu, have signed a protocol establishing a temporary fisheries *régime* for 1938.

A WORD FOR THE DOG FISH

FROZEN JACKETS FOR HALIBUT

WHAT CANADA'S BLUE BOOK REVEALS

CANADA has acquired the pleasant trick of making her official documents readable by the layman. Take, for example, the 7th annual report of the Department of Fisheries, which has just been published. It ranges from the system whereby information is given on the condition of ice and the location of bait is broadcast to the fishing fleet to an arrangement with the United States for the control of the halibut fisheries.

The latter is operated through the International Fisheries Commission, which is empowered to prohibit the departure of vessels for any area where the number of vessels already operating is sufficient to catch the limit of halibut set by the agreement.

Dealing with the reduction of fish waste, the report mentions that 54,000 gallons of medicinal cod liver oil were refined—bad news for those who have to gulp their dose without even a pinch of salt.

COD LIVER OIL

On this subject of cod liver oil a special instrument has been invented to enable the chemists to measure the vitamin content of the fish oils. Samples of oil from red cod have been found to rival the higher grade of halibut liver oil in vitamin A content. It has been shown that halibut liver oil may vary 400 per cent. in its vitamin A potency. More remarkable still is the fact that liver oil from dog fish indicates that in its finer forms it is an even more potent medicine than the cod liver oil.

The year produced nearly 2,000,000 cases of canned salmon, the largest pack since 1930. It would have been larger still, but the producers did not want to overload a market which might prove unsatisfactory. The fish went to thirty-six countries, including Bolivia, Peru, Malta, Mesopotamia, and the South Sea Islands. There is something iconoclastic to romance in the reflection that Samoans now take their fish in tins.

England was the largest importer of the salmon, followed by Australia—unless one counts Eastern Canada, as the report does, as an importing country. It appears that the East imported over 300,000 cases from the West.

During the year a new system of inspection was evolved whereby a qualified chief chemist and two assistants were appointed to take over the duties previously performed by a Civil Service Board. They set up their headquarters in Vancouver, where approximately 80 per cent. of the salmon pack passes, and it says much for the care taken in preserving the standards of purity that out of nearly 2,000,000 cases inspected only 25,000 were certified as being below the very highest standard.

CONSIDERABLE REVENUE

The revenue derived from the Canadian fishing industry is very considerable, and every care is taken to foster it. During the year, for example, the Hon. J. E. Michaud, the Canadian Minister of Fisheries, spent some time visiting the fishing centres on the British Columbian coast. It was the first time that a Federal Minister of Fisheries had made such an extensive tour, and it was appreciated by the representatives of the industry, who were allowed to make their own representations to him on a number of points.

Although much of the work of the Department is chiefly concerned with the commercial side of fishing, much is done in the propagation of fish for sporting purposes. The Provincial Game Commission, for example, has been largely responsible for the hatching of fish eggs at their headquarters in Vancouver and on Vancouver Island.

On the Atlantic Coast, where considerable business in oyster fishing is carried on rigid inspection conditions also prevail. This and the loyal co-operation of the fishermen themselves have raised the standard not only of oyster production, but also of barrel-making, to a very high point.

Among other points dealt with in the report is the evolution of opaque non-cracking ice glaze for fish. This ingenious method of preservation was adopted commercially two years ago, but has since been very considerably improved. The system has been particularly successful in the case of halibut.

FUNERAL OF MR. DENIS P. FLAVIN

The funeral of Mr. Denis P. Flavin, of Sandyford House, Sandyford, Co. Dublin, took place yesterday to Dean's Grange Cemetery after 10.30 a.m. Mass at the Church of the Assumption, Sandyford.

The attendance included:—Mrs. Josephine Flavin (widow), the Misses Nancy, Mona and Joan (daughters); Sister Teresina (sister), John Flavin (brother), William Flavin, Thomas Flavin, James Flavin and Denis Flavin (nephews); Mr. and Mrs. Byrne, Mr. Patrick Ryan, Mr. Robert Ryan, the Rev. Dominic Ryan, Mrs. Blackwell, Miss Julia Harnett, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy (cousins).

The clergy in attendance were:—Archdeacon Kelly, P.P., Sandyford; the Rev. Father Lamb, C.C., Sandyford; the Rev. Father Collier, C.C. Skerries; the Rev. Father Reardon C.C. Dundrum, and the Rev. Father J. Ryan. C.C., Birmingham.

The general public included:—Mrs. Frank Aiken, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Fagan, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fagan, Mr. Edward Ryan, solicitor; Mrs. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Clancy and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. Roe and family Mr and Mrs. McCullough, Mr. Lemass, Mr and Mrs. Lenehan, Mr. and Mrs. John Lenihan Mr. and Mrs. J. McLoughlin, Miss McNulty, Mrs. Smith, Mr. P. Smith, Mr. P. Moran, Mr. W. Richardson, Mr. John Richardson, Mrs. McGurk and family, Mr. J. Corry, Mr. James Collins, Mr. Peter McGovern, Mr. Edward Collins, Mr. O'Gorman, and Mr. Liam Burke, representing Mr. W. T. Cosgrave.

FUNERAL OF MR. H. PHILLIPS

The funeral of Mr. Henry Phillips, General Manager, Grand Canal Company, 5 Canal Harbour, Dublin, whose death occurred at his residence on Monday last, took place yesterday to St. George's Burial Ground, Drumcondra. Prior to the Funeral Service a Service was conducted at the house of Mr. Phillips by the Rev. R. Lee Cole, M.A., B.D., Methodist Centenary Church, St. Stephen's Green, who also officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. Phillips (widow), Mrs. Carter Draper and Miss Vera Phillips (daughters), Miss E. Forsythe (niece), Mr. G. F. Manning, Mr. Alex. Smith, Mr. F. J. Long (brothers-in-law), Mr. Carter Draper (son-in-law), Mrs. F. Long, Mr. E. N. Forsythe (relatives).

The Grand Canal Company was represented by Mr. John McCann (chairman), Edmund Williams (deputy-chairman), Right Hon. James McMahon (director), J. M. Sweetman (do.), W. Claude Odlum (do.), Thomas Delaney (secretary), C. T. Caldwell (engineer), A. T. Matthews (chief accountant), John Scott, A. J. Knox, Thomas Geoghegan, C.A. (auditor); A. E. Medcalfe (cashier), T. Metcalfe, J. P. Dalton, T. Davy, M. O'Loughlin, M. E. Clinton, and T. O'Connor.

Representatives of other companies present were:—Messrs. P. J. Floyd, B. Reade, T. F. Brazil, and P. Lynott (Great Southern Railways); I. W. Heney and R. F. Woodworth (Merchants' Warehousing Company); D. Binnie and W. E. F. Manning (A. Guinness and Son); C. J. Forsythe (Alex. Thom and Co., Ltd.); M. Healy and T. Purdie (Texas Co.)

Also present were:—Messrs. F. R. Reid (Irish and English Traffic Conference); Wm. S. Hayes, H. H. Hurley, L. W. Webb (Hayes and Son solicitor); W. A. Peate, D. K. Stewart, W. H. Snape, Major F. J. Griffiths, A. McV. Peate, Gordon C. Kirkland, Charles C. Read, F. W. Booth, Henry Waters, W. S. Hilton, Kenneth Stewart, J. C. McMurtry, W. O. Pasley, H. J. Harding, A. Downes, R. P. Pim, V. E. Hanna, Alex. Marshall, G. D. McNeice, E. B. Irvine, Hastings Dare Draper, Alan A. McCarthy, F. P. Griffith, E. E. Joynt (jun.), E. J. Kennedy, R. A. Brown, A. J. Knox, A. A. Morrissey, J. Murray, J. Ingram, H. W. Stevens, J. Carroll, and H. Chalmers.

COW IN A CHEMIST'S SHOP

A cow which was being driven towards Ballymun, along the Moibhi road, Glasnevin, yesterday took fright, and ran into Mr. D. J. Reddy's chemist's shop. The assistant and others made many efforts to get the cow out, but for a good while it would make no stir. Then suddenly it worked its way out backwards into the street and the care of the drover. No damage was done in the shop.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925

SUPPLIES OF MOTOR SPIRIT AND PETROLEUM, ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS AND RADIO SETS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Pursuant to Section 2 of the above-named Act the Minister for Local Government and Public Health invites Companies interested to state the prices at which they will supply any of the under-mentioned commodities to local authorities in Ireland during the twelve months beginning on the 1st day of April, 1938. The latest time such prices will be received will be at 12 o'clock, Noon, on the 18th day of January, 1938:—

Commodities to be supplied:—
Motor Spirit and Petroleum.
Electrical Cables.
Electrical Appliances and Fittings, including:—
Wiring Supplies and Accessories, with exception of tools.
Conduit (Tubing).
Conduit Accessories.
Iron Clad Switch Gear.
Electric Lighting Supplies
Wood Block.
Industrial and Sports Lighting Fittings.
"Ray" Reflectors.
Electric Light Fittings, Accessories.
Glassware.
Electric Bells and Accessories.
Electric Fires.
Household Electric Appliances.
Electric Cookers.
Radio Sets, including:—
Amplifiers.
Loud Speakers.
Head Phones.
Valves.
Microphones and Microphone Stands.
Aerial and Earth Equipment.
Anti-interference Equipment.

Replies to this invitation must be enclosed and sealed in the **Official Envelope** provided for the purpose, which may be obtained from the Office of the Department of Local Government and Public Health (COMBINED PURCHASING SECTION), 73 Merrion Square South, Dublin.

By Order of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.
J. HURSON, Secretary.
30th December, 1937.

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925

The Minister for Local Government and Public Health hereby gives public notice that he will receive applications at or before 12 o'clock, Noon, on the 18th day of January, 1938, from persons desirous of being appointed under the above-mentioned Act to be official contractors during the period 1st day of April, 1938, up to the 31st day of December, 1938, for the supply to local authorities in Ireland of the commodities set forth in the Schedule hereunder.

Applications for appointment as official contractor must be made on the prescribed Form of Application, copies of which can be obtained from the Office of the Department of Local Government and Public Health (COMBINED PURCHASING SECTION), 73 Merrion Square South, Dublin, and should be forwarded to this address enclosed and sealed in the **Official Envelope** which is issued for the purpose with the prescribed Form.

Particulars and specifications of each of the commodities set forth in the Schedule hereunder may also be obtained from the above address. The commodities are to be supplied in accordance with conditions set forth in the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Regulations, 1926 to 1933, and in particular in accordance with the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) (Supply in Bulk) Regulations, 1933.

Where an applicant proposes to supply a proprietary preparation as a substitute for, or form of the commodity in respect of which he is desirous of appointment, he must state so in his application. He must also give particulars of the composition of such preparation. Expert opinion will be taken as to the relative value of any such preparation.

The Minister will require every person appointed as a condition of his appointment to enter into the following undertaking (included in the Application Form):—That in the manufacture of the commodity to be supplied he will comply with any provisions in relation to the process of manufacture set out in the specification of such commodity.

Before making an appointment the Minister will take into consideration not only the price for which the commodity is offered by each applicant, but also the quality of the goods manufactured or supplied by him, the period from the date of each order within which the applicant undertakes to make delivery, the stocks proposed to be held in this country, the records of the applicant and any other such relevant matter. Further, special consideration will be given to applicants who are prepared to pack in containers of Irish manufacture the commodities set forth in the Schedule hereunder. The Minister does not undertake to appoint the applicant whose price is the lowest or any applicant.

SCHEDULE.

1 (i) Bitumen for Surface Dressing.
2 (i) Bitumen for Asphalt Macadam.
3 (i) Tar No. 1.
4 (i) Tar No. 2.
5 (i) Tar No. 3.
6 (i) Tar Bitumen (80/20) Mixture.
7 (i) Tar Bitumen (90/10) Mixture.
8 (i) Emulsion of Bitumen and Water.
9 (i) Cut-Back Bitumen No. 1 (Mixing).
10 (i) Cut-Back Bitumen No. 2 (Spraying).
11 (i) Sulphate of Alumina.

By order of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.
J. HURSON, Secretary.
30th December, 1937.

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925

SUPPLIES OF COMMODITIES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES

SCHEDULE.
PART I.

s. 1. General Groceries.
2. Margarine.
3. Jams.
5. Cocoa.
6. Whiskey and Brandy.
7. Bovril, Virol and Oxo.
8 Patent Foods.
s. 9. Waterproof Rubber Goods
10. Soaps and Soap Powders.
11. Polishes.
12 Disinfectant Fluids.
s.13 Tableware, Barlite.
14. Tobacco and Snuff.
15. Clay Pipes.
s.16. Stationery Supplies
s.17. Typewriting Supplies
s.18 Food and Drugs Act Requisites.
19. Brass Sealing Stamps.
21. Standard Road Forms.
22 Weighing and Sewing Machines.
23. Typewriting Machines.
s.24. Chairs.
s.25. Cork Carpet, Linoleum, Mats and Rugs.
s.26 Cutlery.
s.27. Aluminium Ware.
s.28. Enamelled Ware.
29. Candles.
s.30. Galvanised Ware.
s.31 Cast Metal Ware
s.32. China, Delph, Earthenware and Glass Ware.
33 Sheet Glass.
s.35. Corks
s.36. Linen and Cotton Piece Goods.
s.37 Cotton Piece Goods, and Tailors' Sundries.
s.38. Haberdashery.
s.39. Shirts, Underwear and Surgeons' Coats.
s.40. Made-up Clothing.
s.41 Pillow and Bolster Cases.
s.42. Quilts.
s.43 Dungarees.
s.44. Serges, Tweeds and Homespuns.
s.45. Flannels, Blankets and Bed Rugs.
s.46. Shawls
s.47. Knitting Wools and Yarns.
s.48. Readymade Suits.
s.49. Caps and Hats.
s.50. Braces.
s.51. Hose and Half-Hose.
s.52. Damasclene.
s.53. Buttons.
s.54. Boots and Shoes.
s.55. Boot Uppers.
s.56. Leather
s.57 Shoe Grindery.
s.58. Bedsteads, etc.
59. Bedding.
s.60. Bedding Material.
s.61 Bedside Lockers, Commodes, Ward Screen Frames, Ward Kitchen Tables and Over-Bed Hospital Tables.
s.62. Baskets and Cradles
63. Lubricating, Fuel and Gas Oils and Greases.
s.64. Bedroom Suites and Dining Tables.
s.65. Musical Instruments.
66. Motor Covers and Tubes.
67. Solid Tyres.
68 Motor Cycle Covers and Tubes.
69. Motor Accessories.
70. Gas Lighting Requirements
71. Gas Metres.
72. Street Lamps.
73. Road Plant and Machinery.
s.74. Road and Quarry Tools.
75. Edge Tools.
s.76. Lanterns.
s.77. Handles.
s.78. Wood Barrows.
79. Steel Barrows.
80. Bolts and Nuts.
s.81. Sheet Lead, Lead Pipe and Plumbers' Requisites.
s.82. Hose Pipe and Fittings.
83. Cotton Waste.
s. 84. Oilskin Clothing.
85. Explosives, etc.
s. 87 Ropes, Manila, etc.
s. 88. Electric Instrument Sterilizers.
s. 89. Fire Extinguishers, Bed Chart-Holders and F. and D. Boxes.
s. 90. Fireirons, Stands, Fenders, Curbs and Coal Scuttles.
91. Corrugated Iron and Accessories.
s. 92. Bass, Bahia, Machine and Steel Road Brushes and Brush making materials.
s. 93. Household Brushes.
s. 94. Painters' Brushes.
95. Ready-mixed Paints.
96. Painters' Colours (in Oil).
97. Painters' Colours (Dry).
98. Varnishes and Knotting.
99. Red and White Lead.
100. Distempers, etc.
101. Oilman's Goods.
102. Roadmen's Sleeping Vans
106. Electric Lamps.
s.112. General and Limited Trade Plates.
s.113. Wire Fencing.
115. Tractors and Trailers.
116. X-ray Requirements.
117. Dodge Ambulances.
s 120 Road Warning Signs and Clips.
121. Cabinet Refrigerators (Domestic).
122. Asbestos Requirements.
123. Surgical Instrument Tables and Lotion Bowl Stands.
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108. Belting.
109. Iron and Brass Wood Screws.
110. Files and Rasps.
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The Minister for Local Government and Public Health hereby gives public notice that he will receive applications at or before 12 o'clock, Noon, on the 18th day of January, 1938, from persons desirous of being appointed under the above-mentioned Act to be official contractors during the period from the 1st day of April, 1938, to the 31st day of March, 1939, for the supply to local authorities in Ireland of the commodities set forth in the attached Schedule.

Applications for appointment as official contractor must be made on the prescribed Form of Application, copies of which can be obtained from the Office of the Department of Local Government and Public Health (COMBINED PURCHASING SECTION), **73 Merrion Square South**, Dublin, and should be forwarded to this address enclosed and sealed in the **Official Envelope** which is issued for the purpose with the prescribed Form.

Particulars and specifications of each of the commodities set forth in the Schedule may also be obtained from the above address. The commodities are to be supplied in accordance with the conditions set forth in the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Regulations, 1926 to 1933.

Where an applicant proposes to supply a proprietary preparation as a substitute for, or form of the commodity in respect of which he is desirous of appointment, he must state so in his application. He must also give particulars of the composition of such preparation. Expert opinion will be taken as to the relative value of any such preparation.

In the case of the commodities marked (s) an official sample is provided, which can be inspected at the above-mentioned Office, and the commodity to be supplied must conform to this sample in all respects

In the case of each of the commodities set out in Part II of the Schedule a price list ("The deposited price list") has been sealed with the seal of the Minister and deposited in the above-mentioned Office. The price at which the applicant is willing to supply the commodities mentioned in a deposited price list must be stated by means of a percentage reduction from the price set forth in the deposited price list. Particulars of each deposited price list can be obtained from the above-mentioned Office, where the lists can be inspected

Before making an appointment the Minister will take into consideration not only the price for which the commodity is offered by each applicant but also the quality of the goods manufactured or supplied by him, the period from the date of each order within which the applicant undertakes to make delivery, the stocks proposed to be held in this country, the records of the applicant and any other such relevant matter.

A preference will be given to commodities manufactured wholly or in part in Ireland, also as regards packed commodities, to commodities packed in Ireland.

Where dutiable articles are being quoted for, all quotations must be inclusive of the appropriate amount of duty in force on the date appearing at foot of Form of Application as well as any charges arising therefrom. No application which does not comply with this requirement will be considered.

The Minister does not undertake to appoint the applicant whose price is lowest or any applicant.

By Order of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.
J. HURSON, Secretary.
30th December, 1937.
W.H.Co.
F/S 6619.

FUNERAL OF MR. A. McMULLEN

The funeral of Mr. Andrew McMullen, of "Hampstead," Glasnevin, Dublin, who for many years was a member of the Committee of the Abbey Presbyterian Church, took place yesterday to the Old Glasnevin Cemetery, Ballymur road, Dublin. There was a large attendance and the Funeral Service was conducted by the Rev. J. C. Breakey.

The chief mourners were:—Mr. Fred McMullen and Mr. James McMullen (brothers), Miss Martha McMullen (sister), Mr. Alexander McMullen (cousin), and Mrs. Alexander McMullen.

There were also present:—Dr. H. J. Eustace, Mr. J. F. Eustace, Mr. Terence Eustace, Miss B. Eustace, and the Matron and Staff of "Hampstead," the Rev. R. C. Madden, M.A., rector, Clondalkin; the Rev. G. S. McPhail, rector, Glasnevin; the Rev. J. R. Fisher, Glasnevin; Messrs. Alfred Jones, Robert Cunningham, Killiney; R. B. Milne, Joseph McKinley, A. Smith, George Warlin, J. J. Best, W. Houston, W. Donaldson, S. Merrin, A. E. Wilson, Alex Strain, W. H. McDowell, W. J. Keery, F. S. Walker, J. Verdon, W. J. Thompson, J. J. Crawford, A. A. Reid, J. Cassie, J. Lemon, T. A. Campbell, A. McMurty, C. Mulligan, S. Watson, G. Verso, T. Bradbury, S. Rothwell, S. Smith, T. J. Rowe.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. Miller and Co., Ltd., Bray.

Bad weather in the Mediterranean is holding up three Imperial Airways liners on their way home from Africa. The Centurion and Cassiopeia bringing passengers and mails from Durban, and the Caledonia on extra mail service from Durban are all waiting for conditions to moderate.

WOMAN MISSING ON DUKE'S ESTATE

A FRUITLESS ALL-DAY SEARCH

Argyllshire police and workers on the Duke of Argyll's Inverary estate searched yesterday without result for Miss Christina MacVicar, who disappeared on Tuesday night. Miss MacVicar and her sister live at Duniquaich Cottage. They went out together shortly after 7 p.m. on Tuesday. At 11 p.m. Sergeant James Ross, of Inverary, was passing the golf course, when he saw a dog running to him which he recognised as belonging to the MacVicars. He stopped, and, hearing shouting from the direction of the golf course, found Miss Norag MacVicar, sister of the missing woman, in a distressed condition. On obtaining assistance Sergeant Ross took Miss Norag MacVicar to her home, where it was found that Miss Christina MacVicar had not returned.

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Also GENE AUTREY in
"ROUND UP TIME IN TEXAS."

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At 2.39, 4.56, 7.13, 9.30.

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JANET GAYNOR & FREDRIC MARCH,
IN
THE FIRST MODERN TECHNICOLOUR DRAMA.
"A STAR IS BORN,"
Showing at 2 o'c 4.20, 6.45, 9.10.
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FRED ASTAIRE & GINGER ROGERS in
"SHALL WE DANCE?"
SHOWING at 2.10, 4.30, 6.50, 9.10.
COMING—PAUL MUNI and LUISE RAINER, in "THE GOOD EARTH."

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GOVERNMENT NOTICES

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(Department of Agriculture.)

EXPORT BOUNTY ON FAT CATTLE.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE INSPECTION OF FAT CATTLE FOR BOUNTY PURPOSES.

(1) CATTLE EXPORTED THROUGH HOME PORTS TO GREAT BRITAIN:—

In connection with the bounty payable on fat bullocks and fat maiden heifers exported to Great Britain and Northern Ireland during the period 1st January to 15th June, 1938, inclusive, exporters of such cattle are notified that the inspection of cattle for bounty purposes will take place at the following ports:—

Ballina, Cork, Drogheda, Dublin, Dundalk, Galway, Greenore, Limerick, Rosslare, Sligo, and Waterford.

The inspection will be held during the usual shipping hours and at the live-stock detention yards adjoining the Ports.

(2) CATTLE CONSIGNED TO NORTHERN IRELAND OR TO GREAT BRITAIN VIA NORTHERN IRELAND:—

The inspection of cattle consigned to Northern Ireland or to Great Britain via Northern Ireland will be held at the under-mentioned places on the days and at the hours stated:—

Day.	Place of Inspection.	Hours of Inspection.
Monday ...	Belfast (Maysfields)	3. 0- 7. 0 p.m.
	Derry (G.N. Rly.)	9.45-10.15 a.m. 3.15- 4. 0 p.m.
	Derry (L. and L.S. Rly.)	11.15-11.45 a.m.
	Lifford (Road) Strabane (Rail)	1.30- 2.30 p.m.
	Tynan (Rail) ...	11.30 a.m.-4 p.m.
	Goraghwood (Rail)	2.25- 3. 0 p.m.
Tuesday ...	Belfast (Maysfields)	9.30-11. 0 a.m. 4. 0- 7. 0 p.m.
	Muff (Road)	9. 0- 9.30 a.m.
	Carrigans (Road)	10. 0-10.30 a.m.
	Bridge End (Road)	11. 0-11.30 a.m.
	Derry (L. and L.S. Rly.)	1.30- 2. 0 p.m.
	Derry (G.N. Rly.)	3.15- 4. 0 p.m.
	Moybridge (Road)	9. 0- 9.30 a.m.
	Tynan (Rail) ...	3.20- 4. 0 p.m.
Wednesday	Belfast (Maysfields)	9.30-11. 0 a.m. 4. 0- 7. 0 p.m.
	Muff (Road)	9. 0- 9.30 a.m.
	Carrigans (Road)	10. 0-10.30 a.m.
	Bridge End (Road)	11. 0-11.30 a.m.
	Derry (L. and L.S. Rly.)	1.30- 2. 0 p.m.
	Derry (G.N. Rly)	3.15- 4. 0 p.m.
	Enniskillen (Rail)	12.30- 1.15 p.m.
	Goraghwood (Rail)	2.25- 3. 0 p.m.
Thursday..	Belfast (Maysfields)	9.30-11. 0 a.m. 4. 0- 7. 0 p.m.
	Derry (G.N. Rly.)..	9.45-10.15 a.m. 3.15- 4. 0 p.m.
	Derry (L. & L.S. Rly.)	11.15-11.45 a.m.
	Tyholland (Road)..	11. 0-11.30 a.m.
	Clontivrim (Road)	3.30- 4. 0 p.m.
	Newtownbutler (Rail)	6. 0- 6.30 p.m.
	Carrickarnon (Road)	1. 0- 1.30 p.m.
	Goraghwood (Rail)	3.30- 4.15 p.m.
Friday.....	Belfast (Maysfields)	9.30-11. 0 a.m. 4. 0- 7. 0 p.m.
	Muff (Road)	9. 0- 9.30 a.m.
	Carrigans (Road)..	10. 0-10.30 a.m.
	Bridge End (Road)	11. 0-11.30 a.m.
	Derry (G.N. Rly.).	2.15- 4. 0 p.m.
	Derry (L. & L.S. Rly.)	1.30- 2. 0 p.m.
	Enniskillen (Rail)	12.30- 1.15 p.m.
Saturday..	Belfast (Maysfields)	9.30 11. 0 a.m. 4. 0- 7. 0 p.m.
	Derry (G.N. Rly.).	9.45-10.15 a.m. 3.15- 4. 0 p.m.
	Derry (L. & L.S. Rly.)	11.15 to 11.45 a.m.
	Lifford (Road) Strabane (Rail)	1.30 2.30 p.m.
	Tynan (Rail)......	3.20- 4. 0 p.m.
	Goraghwood (Rail)	2.25- 3. 0 p.m.

Exporters should note that cattle exported by rail over the land frontier will be inspected for bounty purposes as follows:—

AT BELFAST (MAYSFIELDS).
Cattle consigned to or through Belfast and entered for British Customs clearance at Belfast.

AT DERRY (G.N. RLY. AND L.S. RLY. STATIONS
Cattle consigned to or through Derry and entered for British Customs clearance at Derry.

AT STRABANE (RAILWAY STATION).
Cattle consigned by the Co. Donegal Railways through Strabane or from Carrigans, St. Johnston and Porthall Stations to Great Britain or Northern Ireland and entered for British Customs clearance at Strabane.

AT GORAGHWOOD, TYNAN, NEWTOWNBUTLER AND ENNISKILLEN
Cattle consigned to Great Britain or Northern Ireland and entered for British Customs clearance at any of these stations

AT GREENORE
Cattle for export by rail via Greenore and Newry will be inspected at Greenore Station on the days of shipping and during the usual shipping hours at Greenore Port

Cattle exported by road routes will be inspected at the frontier posts at Carrickarnon, Tyholland, Moybridge, Clontivrim, Lifford, Carrigans, Bridge End and Muff on the days and at the times stated above.

The cattle will be inspected by an officer of the Department, to whom Form F.C.B.1 (with Part 1 duly completed) should be presented by the exporter or his agent. No cattle will be inspected for bounty in the absence of this form.

Form 29 (Sale), in duplicate must be filled in and handed to the Customs Officer by the exporter or his agent in respect of all cattle exported.

Conditions for obtaining bounty will be found on form F.C.E. 2.

Forms F.C.B. 1 and F.C.B. 2 may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Dublin or at the Portal Inspection Offices at the ports of shipment, or at Customs Frontier Stations on approved roads into Northern Ireland or from carrying companies.

Exporters are informed that bounty will be payable only in respect of well-meated fat bullocks and fat maiden heifers showing a reasonably good degree of finish. Lean unfinished animals and veal calves, even though intended for immediate slaughter, will not be eligible for the payment of bounty.

7/S. 6628 W.H.Co.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACTS, 1898 to 1925.

ELECTION OF ELECTIVE MEMBERS.

The Dublin Port and Docks Board hereby give Notice:—

1.—That an Election of FOUR TRADERS' MEMBERS and THREE SHIPPING MEMBERS OF THE DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS BOARD will be held between the hours of 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 11th day of January, 1938, at the PORT AND DOCKS OFFICES, 20 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN.

2.—Each candidate must be nominated by writing, subscribed by two Electors as Proposer and Seconder, and the Nomination Paper must be duly signed by the Candidate or some person duly authorised by him in writing for such purpose as consenting to such Nomination.

3.—The Nomination Paper must state the surname and other names of the Candidate, with his abode or place of business and description, and must specify whether the Candidate is proposed as a "TRADERS' MEMBER" or as a "SHIPPING MEMBER," and the Nomination Paper may be in the following form or to like effect:

NOMINATION PAPER—DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACTS, 1898 TO 1925.
ELECTION OF ELECTIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
To be held on TUESDAY, the 11th day of JANUARY, 1938.

We, the undersigned, being respectively Electors hereby nominate the following Person as a Candidate:—

Surname.	Other names.	Abode or place of Business.	Description.
Smith.	William Henry.	100 City Quay.	Timber Merchant

The above-named William Henry Smith is proposed as a * Member.
*State whether Traders' Member or Shipping Member.

Signature.	Number on Register of Electors.
Thomas Jones.	360
James Robinson.	80

I, the above-named William Henry Smith, hereby consent to my being nominated as a Candidate at the said Election.
Dated this day of 19 .
Signed ‡WILLIAM HENRY SMITH.
‡Signature of Candidate or person duly authorised to sign the Nomination Paper on his behalf.

4.—Each Candidate must be nominated by a separate Nomination Paper, but the same Electors may subscribe as many Nomination Papers as there are vacancies to be filled, but no more.

5.—Nomination Papers must be delivered by the Candidate himself or by his proposer and Seconder to the Secretary of the Board, or to some person authorised to receive the same, at the Office of the Dublin Port and Docks Board before FOUR o'clock in the afternoon of SATURDAY, the 1st day of January, 1938.

6.—The Returning Officers will attend at the Office of the DUBLIN PORT and DOCKS BOARD on Monday, the 3rd day of January, 1938, for a sufficient time between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon to hear and decide objections to Nomination Papers.

7.—Forms of Nomination Papers may be obtained at the Office of the Secretary of the Board.

E. H. BAILEY, Secretary.
Port and Docks Office, Dublin.
Dated this 23rd day of December, 1937.

CONTRACTS.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD, DUBLIN

TENDERS FOR COAL.

The Electricity Supply Board invites Tenders for the Supply and Delivery of 20,000/25,000 Tons of Coal to Pigeon House Generating Station, Dublin, during the three months commencing February 1st, 1938, in accordance with Specification No. 136D.

Copies of the specification and tender form may be obtained on application to the Chief Design Engineer, Electricity Supply Board, 37 Merrion square, Dublin.

Tenders should be submitted in sealed envelope, endorsed: "Tender for Coal EN/Q.1220/PS," and should reach the undersigned not later than noon on January 10th, 1938.

(Signed). PATRICK J. DEMPSEY, Secretary.
Electricity Supply Board
60/62 Upper Mount street, Dublin.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1937.

NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND

Mr. de Valera and his Ministers attended a Votive Mass in the Pro-Cathedral, Dublin, yesterday, on the occasion of the coming into force of the new Constitution. —(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN

In an official statement issued from Downing street the British Government rejects Eire's claim to the whole island. The view taken is that the Constitution makes "no fundamental alteration" in Commonwealth status. —(Page 7.)

ABROAD

The French Government have decided that, failing the repeal of the strike order under which 100,000 Parisian municipal employés ceased work yesterday, the men will be conscripted and essential services maintained. —(Page 8.)

SPORTING

At Cheltenham yesterday Red Knight II. won the Stayers' Handicap Steeplechase. —(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL

London Stock Markets were in weak condition yesterday, and the further sharp break on Wall street undermined sentiment. Towards the close, however, some issues were lifted above their worst levels. —(Page 3.)

Gold declined further to 139s. 6½d. per oz., but silver prices rallied ½d. in both positions on "bear" covering. —(Page 3.)

Dublin Market was dull and idle, with price movements mostly adverse to holders. Guinness Ord. held steady at 121s. 6d. —(Page 3.)

The Paris Strike

Recalling the discomforts of her own transport strike of two years ago, Dublin can sympathise with the citizens of Paris in their present plight. Yesterday morning a hundred thousand Parisian transport workers downed tools, and both omnibus services and the underground railway failed to run. To the inconvenience was added a threat of something still more serious; for it was announced that the employés of other public services—notably the water, gas, and electricity supplies—proposed to follow the example of their fellow-workers. The Government was prompt to reply. Holding that there was no excuse whatever for strike action, it declared that in no case would it permit any interruption of services essential to the national life, but would "face the situation with the utmost vigour." Once before France was confronted with a similar strike, and the action which her Government took on that occasion M. Chautemps has threatened to take again to-day. If the essential services are deserted by their operators, those same operators—all of whom are soldiers of France—will be called as reservists to the Colours, and, in their capacity as reservists, will be set to work the services which, as civilians, they had just deserted. If they refuse, or if they make any attempt in those circumstances to carry on the strike, they will be subject to martial law. Thus far the Government's firmness has had the desired effect. At the time of writing there is no sign that the gas, electricity, or water workers have downed tools, or any suggestion that this morning will be other than peaceable. Doubtless, the strikers, both actual and potential, had expected public support. They have received none. The people, naturally, are indignant at the assault on their comforts, while the Government, even if its complexion is Socialist, does not propose to tolerate any challenge to its legitimate authority.

The strike is part of the phenomena which almost inevitably follow the advent of a Socialist Government to power. Since M. Léon Blum attained office, a year and a half ago, there has been hardly a moment when France has been free from strikes of one sort or another—just as stoppages have increased and multiplied in Ireland under Mr. de Valera's semi-Socialist *régime*, and in the United States under President Roosevelt. When a Government that is favourable to labour takes the saddle, labour naturally wishes to reap the fullest possible benefit. During the past year the French State employés have received wage increases amounting to some 2,400 francs apiece *per annum*. The Paris municipal employés received an increase early last year, and another increase, of 600 francs, at the beginning of the present week. They demand, however, that the 600 francs shall be raised to 1,200, on the ground that they ought to be treated on the same basis as State servants. They argue, furthermore, that, whereas the cost of living has risen by forty *per cent.* of late, they demand in all no more than a six to eight *per cent.* increase. It seems to be a fact that they were promised treatment no less liberal than that accorded to civil servants; and in all probability their claim would be treated not unkindly if it were put forward in an orderly way. The strike, however, has incensed all Paris. M. Chautemps's Government refuses flatly to allow any discussion of terms until it is called off. Therein he has the support of the General Federation of Labour, which is the French equivalent of the Trades Union Congress here and in Great Britain, as well as all the Socialist leaders, including M. Blum himself. The Federation is furious at such a betrayal of labour "solidarity"—especially at a moment when the forces of the Right seem to be re-establishing themselves to some extent in France. It had hoped to provide the world with a perfect example of Socialism in action, and now the Government finds itself in a position where it cannot fail to be damned as "reactionary."

In every respect, indeed, the French Government's way is hard. It has just unearthed a formidable conspiracy whose object was to pave the way for Fascism—or, at least, for a resurgence of the Right—and now it is confronted with trouble from its own supporters on the Left. Its consolation is that both affairs have demonstrated the loyalty of the vast bulk of the French people. The Cagoulard conspiracy seems to have provoked little or no sympathy among the people at large, and the present strike, according to the news as yet available, is serving to attach Paris more closely than ever to the constitutional Socialism of M. Chautemps and his colleagues. If the municipal workers fail in their attempt to bully the Government, the use of the strike weapon certainly will receive discouragement, and the process of M. Chautemps's programme will be rendered easier. It remains to be seen whether France can afford the greatly increased sums which are demanded nowadays from her taxpayers—not to mention the sums which will be demanded before the workers are satisfied. A long time yet must pass before she can enjoy the luxury of a balanced Budget: a still longer time, perhaps, before the increase of wages catches up on the increase of prices. Her foreign trade is somewhat more prosperous than it was a year ago, but manufacturers still suffer from their substantially swollen bills of costs, and still argue that they have little hope of recapturing their old position in the world's markets. M. Chautemps hardly can experiment with any further debasement of the franc, for all the success which attended his predecessor's example. Having escaped much of the discomfort that such nations as England and America suffered a few years ago, France, as it appears, is preparing now to tighten her belt. She is learning that wage increases are not everything—a lesson which labour, all over the world, is curiously slow to learn.

Abuna and Duce

After nearly fifteen hundred years the intimate connection between the Coptic Church in Abyssinia and the Holy Synod in Cairo has been broken by Signor Mussolini. Having declared himself to be the Protector of Islam, it is a little incongruous that he should also interfere in the internal government of the Coptic Church in Abyssinia; that little Christian community which was saved from subjugation by the Moslems in the 16th century. For centuries a bitter feud has continued between the two faiths, and it is almost certainly due to the contact with the Patriarchate in Egypt that the Coptic Church has been preserved in Abyssinia. Not only has the Patriarch of Abyssinia been appointed by the Holy Synod in Cairo, but he has been by tradition a native Egyptian. It was not to be expected that the hand that had decreed the expulsion of all but Italian missionaries from the despoiled soil of Abyssinia would withhold action on similar lines against the ancient Coptic Church. That Church had been loyal to the Emperor Haile Selassie, who had himself been one of the most devout members, and the penalty of such loyalty must be the displeasure of the conqueror. As it is not very easy to uproot an ancient faith in any country, the easier way to control its adherents is to have the appointment of its head safely secured, and to ensure that the Patriarch shall be amenable to the control of the new rulers. This is what Signor Mussolini has done; in future the Patriarch of Abyssinia will be appointed from Rome instead of from Cairo, and he will be a man obedient to the commands of Signor Mussolini instead of those of the Patriarch Yoannes XIX. The first intimation of this change in the relations between the Copts in Abyssinia and their co-religionists in Egypt was contained in a Cairo newspaper about three months ago. It was then stated that the Abuna at Addis Ababa would be responsible for the Church to the Italian authorities. The Abuna, Head of the Coptic Church in Abyssinia, would be elected by the Egyptian clergy and would be consecrated by the Patriarch at Cairo, but his appointment must be confirmed by the Italian authorities. This has been all contradicted by the action of the Italians in making an appointment without the intervention of the Coptic Church in Egypt. The choice of the Italians has fallen upon the Abuna Abraham, who, in accepting nomination from them, has brought upon himself the righteous anger of the Holy Synod. From the strictly religious viewpoint the elevation of the Abuna Abraham to the Patriarchate in Abyssinia is held to be illegal and incapable of recognition by Copts either in Egypt or in Abyssinia. A few days ago a meeting of the Holy Synod in Cairo sent an urgent message to the Abuna Abraham pointing out that his acceptance of the headship of an autocephalous Coptic Church in Abyssinia was a breach of a sacred trust which has rendered him liable to excommunication. He was summoned to appear in Cairo to answer the charge within five days, and warned that absence would be considered an admission of guilt. As neither an appearance in person nor any message had been received within the stipulated period the Holy Synod has decided to proceed with the excommunication of the Abuna Abraham. The matter rests there for the moment, but more probably will be heard of it in the immediate future. It is clear enough that the Abuna Abraham owes his selection to his willingness to act under the tutelage of the Italian conquerors, and his influence must depend upon whether the Copts of Abyssinia will consent to be ruled in spiritual matters by one who has been cast out of the Church. Not content with this open defiance of the Coptic Church in Cairo, the Protector of Islam also has given grievous offence to Egyptian Moslems by his refusal to have a mission from the Islamic University in Cairo in Abyssinia. Abyssinian religion found a protector in Portugal in the sixteenth century; to-day there is no country willing to undertake that *rôle*.

A Nordic Circle

Another important stride apparently has been taken towards the self-contained and self-sufficient Nazi Stat.: Germany is to have a circle of her own. The German Minister of the Interior, Herr Frick, is reported to have issued a decree that in future the German circle shall contain 400 degrees, instead of 360, so that the right angle shall contain a round hundred instead of 90 degrees. A breathing time is to be given before this geometrical innovation must be generally accepted, but some time next year it will be taught in the schools. It is pleasant to think that the dictatorial circle may contain forty more degrees than the impoverished orbs of decadent democracies, and that the possession of these extra degrees may impart a glow of pride to the youngest Nazis. It may have been thought that the older arrangement of the circle owed too much to non-Aryan influences; because if the subject be probed deeply enough it will almost certainly be discovered that the Phœnicians had something to do with it. Anyhow the new Nazi circle will be far more Nordic, and evenly balanced, than the effete symbol which may have emerged from the Mediterranean. Anything that came from that region must be suspect to the good Nazi, as, indeed, the whole region was under a cloud until the advent of Signor Mussolini improved the manners and tones of the area, and brought them into harmony with Nazi ideals. If anybody should complain that the new circle, and the larger number of its degrees, will lead to a good deal of confusion it may be pointed out, with gratitude and humility, that Herr Frick might have decreed a circle which had about it a series of sharp edges. Perhaps, the new circle may make it possible to have a Swastika enclosed within it; or, instead of Euclidian geometry Nazi school children may have problems set in the hundred-degree circle and the angles of the Swastika. These would inculcate in the young mind a proper respect for the greatness of the State to which it has pleased God to call them. It may not be possible to gain the whole world, but it will in future be possible to carve its circumference into segments of a character which are definitely national. Maybe Herr Frick will go a step farther next year and square the circle.

Resolutions

At this moment, in the monster-ridden wilds of Bosnia, there is a nearly idiot peasant; and, fifty-two weeks from to-morrow, that peasant will find his queer-looking name in the newspapers. He will be the man who kept his new year resolutions. Of course, there may be an utterly unexpected reversal of the form-book, and claims may pour in from Phibsborough, Rathfarnham and Ringsend; but at the present rate of going such an upset is altogether unlikely. The Bosnian peasant will keep his resolutions—because he knows no better—and the citizens of Eire will remain true to their promises until Saturday afternoon, because their determination has been enervated by centuries of defeatist propaganda. The first man who ever prepared his resolutions—and we are appalled at the difficulties attendant upon the discovery of his name—most certainly had inviolate faith in the power of his own will. He had been dragging along, beating his wife, arriving late at the office, and, in general, making a drab mess of his life, when it occurred to him that the old year was in its death throes. What more inspiring occasion could there be for a change in his way of life. As the new year swung in that man swung off his sins, and lived happily for about five years. Then his friends discovered the reason for his almost fantastic prosperity, the circle of good resolvers increased, and inevitably some of the weaker brethren were drawn into this stampede to success. The system began to work less smoothly. There were confessions of back-sliding—and then, suddenly, came the fatal day. One of the weaker brethren thought it funny that a simple change of date should excite the human race to such an orgy of optimism. He said so. Some fool laughed, and the damage was done. From that day—whatever that day was—to this we have been guffawing at the noble, fine resolutions of our fellow-men, and they have lain helpless in paroxysms of laughter at our own. There is nothing to be done; but we may console ourselves with the thought that, although we may have no new resolutions, we have an untouched and fresh as paint Constitution to hallow for us the dawn of 1938.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dublin District Court—10.30 a.m.
Supreme Court—High Court Judges Make Declarations, 11 a.m.
Dublin Port and Docks Board—1 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society—Lectures by John Woods, 4 and 8.15 p.m.
Christmas Tree and Party for Children of ex-Irish Guardsmen—Molesworth Hall, Dublin.

AMUSEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Mother Goose."
Olympia Theatre — "Jack and the Beanstalk."
Abbey Theatre—"She Had To Do Something."
Gate Theatre — "The Drunkard! or The Fallen Saved!"
Metropole Cinema—"It's All Yours."
Grafton Cinema—"The Show Goes On."
Grand Central Cinema—"The Cotton Queen."
Theatre de Luxe—"Parole Racket" and "Speed to Spare."
Theatre Royal—"The Christmas Revel of 1937" and "New Faces of 1937."
Stephen's Green Cinema—"Said O'Reilly to McNab."
Corinthian Cinema—"Rhythm in the Clouds" and "Round Up Time in Texas."
Savoy Cinema—"A Star is Born."
Capitol Cinema—"Shall We Dance?"
Astor Cinema—"Top of the Town."

WEATHER FORECAST

General Inference.—An anti-cyclone is centred over Scotland. It will be cold in the South, and there will be local wintry showers, chiefly near the East Coast.

North-West and North-East Ireland.—Light variable winds; mainly fair, but local fog; average temperature; local frost early.

South-East and South-West Ireland.—Moderate north-east or east winds; mainly cloudy; average temperature.

Sea Passages. — Moderate easterly winds; mainly cloudy; visibility moderate; sea moderate.

Dixon and Hempenstall Barometers and Thermometers. — 12 Suffolk street, Dublin. —(Advt.)

DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT.

Dec	Bar	Thermometer Temp. 9 p.m.	Max.	Min.	Grass Min.	Wind.	Rain m.m.	Sun hour
23	30.082	52 2	53	45	37	S.E.	—	0.3
24	30.388	46.8	59	45	47	—	0.5	1.0
25	30.580	51.8	55	34	28	S.E.	trace	0.0
26	30.646	49.0	52	48	44	—	trace	0.0
27	30 684	46.4	9	45	43	E.	trace	0.0
28	30.644	46.8	46	44	42	E.	0.3	0.0
29	30.600	44.5	47	40	34	E.	—	0.0

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.40	8.40
Sets	4.15	4.16
Lighting-up Time	4.45	4.46

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

Morning	9.46	10.29
Evening	10.10	10.55

COURT AND PERSONAL

Alice Countess Grey spent Christmas with her daughter, Lady Evelyn Jones, at Cranmer Hall, Fakenham, Norfolk.

The Earl of Longford was 35 yesterday; The MacDermot celebrated his 75th birthday.

The Dowager Countess of Pembroke is in residence at East Knoyle, Salisbury, where she will remain for some weeks.

Brigadier-General the Hon. Charles Bruce leaves England to-day for India; he will be away for about ten weeks.

The Lord Chancellor and Viscountess Hailsham spent Christmas at Carter's Corner Place, Hailsham, Sussex, where they will remain until next month.

Lady Scarsdale and her children have left England for St. Moritz.

The Marchioness of Waterford returned to Curraghmore from a holiday in Gibraltar in time for the Christmas festivities. She had a large house party for the week-end, and was seen out at the meet of the hounds on Monday.

Mrs. Michael Beaumont, the former Miss Dodo Goff, and her husband also hunted with the Waterfords on Monday. This was one of the largest meets of recent times, and took place opposite the Grand Hotel at Tramore. Mrs. Beaumont is on a visit from England to her mother and brother, Sir Ernest Goff.

Count O'Kelly is at present in Ireland, from Paris. He is a grandson through his mother of Baron von Hübren, Austrian Ambassador to Paris from 1849-'58. The son of Count John O'Kelly, from whom he has inherited his title, Edward Gerald O'Kelly is a Count of the Holy Roman Empire (Maria Theresa, 1767), and also a Knight of Malta. Until 1935 he was Free State Minister at Paris and also at Brussels.

Lady Olein Wyndham Quin is one of those responsible for the organisation of the Limerick Hunt Ball, which will be held in Limerich early in the new year.

Sir Alexander Maguire is lending Ardmulchan Castle—near Navan—for the Meath Hunt Ball, which takes place next Monday.

Switzers Ladies' Hairdressing Salons offer a service second to none. "Eugene" and "Macdonald" Permanent Waving and all the latest coiffures at standard charges—also skilled Beauty Treatments. 'Phone 76821.

Holmes', George's street—Annual Winter Sale now proceeding.

"Chilprufe" Underwear for Ladies, Children and Men. Illustrated Price Lists on request.—Holmes', George's street.

Margaret Watson's Sale to-day. All Stock greatly reduced. Very special bargains in Evening Dresses, Tailored Suits, Coats, Jumper Suits and Wool Frocks. 17A Dawson st.

Paul, 12 Wicklow street—Exceptional Sale of Long Coats, Fur-trimmed and without; Tailor-mades, Cardigans, Suits, at reduced prices.

Smart For Your Age.—Included in the Sale at the American Shop is a completely new collection of really smart Gowns, Frocks and Coats specially designed for the not-so-slender figure.—37 Wicklow street.

Alderson and Lally, 46 Dawson street—Sale. All Hats over 30s. half price.

Seaman's Sale starts to-day. Genuine Reductions in all Departments.—32 Wicklow street.

Slyne's Sale. Day and Evening Models at enormously reduced prices.—Slyne and Co., Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Among the arrivals were:—R. L. Menzie, Miss Symes, R. Baynham, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Perceval, J. J. Dunne, K. B. Bradshaw, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Henderson, Mrs. Loftus, Frank Crombie, Mr. and Mrs Crombie, Mr. and Mrs. W. Dillon Leetch, Dr. Mitchell Egan, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Meldon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Andrews, Miss S. Hayes, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Alley, M. H. McLean, T. Crowe, Mr. and Mrs. Fagan, Dr. Alfred O'Callaghan, B. P. Devlin, J. Tyrrell, Rev. T. Vernon Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ambrose R. de Stackpoole.

Among the departures were:—Miss Tudor Lee, Miss D. Nolan, Mr. D. J. Moore, Miss S. Fielding, Mr. E. Quigley, Mr. Pender Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Pullen, Mr. and Mrs. L. Prescott, Miss Maureen O'Neill, Kevin O'Neill, Mrs. P. Holmes, Dr. and Mrs. Wilde, Mrs. Robert Greene, Mr. A. Warnock, Dr. Cyril H. J. Bradshaw, Major and Mrs. Hadoke

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

Among the arrivals were:—Mrs. Sunderland, Mr. F. Wilkinson, Col. and Mrs. Stourton, Mr. and Mrs. Ovenshaw, Mr. J. E. Price, Justice Flood, Mr. D. J. Jenkins, Mr. H. Donnellan, Mr. Andrews, Mr. J. B. Doran, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bailey, Miss W. Corrie, Mr. R. Baker, Mr. I. R. Odlum, Mr. J. McElaen, Mr. A. H. Robertson, Mr. P. D. Malone, Mr. R. Eason, Mr. G. W. Irwin, Mr. D. H. Horne, Miss London, Mr. and Mrs. London, Mr. J. Woods, Mr. A. C. Slater, Miss C. Toal, Miss A. McConnell, Miss L. Poundall, Mr. J. R. Nicholson, Mr. Ivor Gauntlett, Mr. J. Fidler, Major Harris, Miss Kinrick, Mr. W. J. Lowry, Miss E. Rogers, Mr. H. MacNeice, Mr. J. McCormack, Mr. and Mrs. F. Stacey, Mr. Hayward Scott, Mr. C. Williams, Mr. F. A. E. Allen, Mr. L. E. Donovan, Mr. and Miss Casey, Mr. C. H. Coates, Miss K. Johnson, Mrs. J. H. Lea, Mr. G. Malone.

Among the departures were:—Mr. C. J. Staunton, Mr. L. H. Healy, Mr. R. Adderley, Dr. J. J. Healy, Mr. and Mrs. W. Milne, Capt. Considine, Mr. H. W. Groves, Mr. F. H. Townend, Mr. G. Parker, Mr. G. Johnston, Dr. M. F. McNamara, Mr. R. Baker, Miss Openshaw, Mr. H. Bardsley, Miss E. M. Speer, Mrs Dimler, Mr. A. Martin, Miss Cumming, Mr. J. O'Rourke, Mrs. Murray, Miss D. Molloy, Mrs. Johnston, Mr. J. McCann, Miss McBrien, Miss M. McHugo, Miss G. Inglis, Mrs. W. Clayton Browne, Miss C. Wright, Mr. A. B. Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Duncan, Mrs. Pollett, Mr. D. I. Loughinton, Mr. and Mrs. Openshaw, Mr. T. C. Stafford, Mrs. and Miss Walters, Mr. M. Goodenday, Dr. D. F. Morrissey, Miss Nicholson, Miss C. T. G. Waller, Miss P. Foley, Mrs. R. S. Smyth, Dr. Birmingham, Mrs. Ritchie, Dr. Doyle, Messrs. J. and L. W. Gilmore.

PASSENGERS BY AIR.

Arrivals at Baldonnel were:—Capt. David D. Spence, Mr. M. N. O'Kelly, Mr. A. Pemberthy, Mr. George Neilson.

Departures from Baldonnel:—Mr. and Mrs. W. Gaw, Miss R. A. Caulfield, Mr. M. N. McKinney, Mr R. Robert Lea.

Stephens and Bourke's Winter Sale starts to-day.

Our Winter Sale begins to-day. Genuine Bargains to be had in High Grade Clothing and Outfitting for the Boys, Youths and Young Man.—"Our Boys," 24 Wicklow st.

Winter Sale of Millinery. Exceptional value.—M. Cathcart, 26 Dawson street.

The charming Blue Frock worn by Miss Roche, Merrion road, at her wedding, also the smart Travelling Suit with Sable Squirrel Coat worn by the bride going away, and complete Trousseau were by Marjorie Boland, 86 Grafton street, Dublin.

TO LADIES.—Ladies' Department for Medical Appliances. Artificial Silk Elastic Stockings, or Lastex and Latestar Stockings, stretching both ways. Fannin and Co., 41 Grafton street.

Sharpleys, Specialists Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets Price List.—2 Nassau St., Dublin

THE NEW CONSTITUTION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In to-day's issue of your paper His Lordship the Most Rev. Dr. Keogh, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, is reported as saying: "The Constitution is unique, because on the front page it is acknowledged that God is the source from which all ruling power is derived. . . ."

May I point out that the first paragraph of the Constitution Act (No. 1, of 1922) passed by Dail Eireann in 1922 reads as follows:—

"Dail Eireann, sitting as a Constituent Assembly in this Provisional Parliament, acknowledging that all lawful authority comes from God to the people, and in the confidence that the national life and unity of Ireland shall thus be restored, hereby proclaims the establishment of the Irish Free State (otherwise called Saorstat Eireann), and in the exercise of undoubted right, decrees and enacts . . . ."

The Constitution of Eire, therefore, in its acknowledgment that God is the source of authority, is not unique.—Yours, etc.,

SEAN MILROY.

25 Fitzwilliam square Dublin,
December 29th, 1937.

AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Belfast	9.30	9.50
Cork	3.49	4.19
Drogheda	9.34	9.58
Dundalk	9.31	9.55
Galway	3.32	3.58
Limerick	5. 2	5.28
Londonderry	6.23	6.52
Sligo	4.13	4.34
Waterford	4.50	5.20
Wexford	4.45	5. 7

DEATHS.

FITZPATRICK—December 29, 1937, at her residence, "Melrose," Tritonville road, Sandymount, Dublin, Martha, widow of the late James Fitzpatrick. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral private.

MAGUIRE—December 29, 1937, at his residence, Gubaveeney House, Blacklion, County Cavan, Charles Maguire, retired teacher, father of Rev. E. Maguire, Maynooth Mission to China, and Rev. P. Maguire, C.C., Rathmines, and brother of Sister M. Paschal, St. Anne's Convent, Castlerea. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from Church of the Immaculate Conception, Doobally, on Saturday, January 1, at 3 o'clock.

LONDON LETTER

NO BIG NEWS

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

LITTLE attention was given here to-day to the coming into force of the new Constitution of the Irish Free State, now to be known as Eire. As a matter of fact, nobody seems to know anything about it, and, before expressing an opinion, those people questioned wanted to know exactly what the Constitution meant—a difficult matter to explain in a few words. Not many people here believe that it is possible to delete the King from a Constitution in any part of the British Isles, and in more than one case I was told that I must be mistaken. In official circles comment on the Constitution is refused. Nobody cares to say anything about the matter, professing ignorance, and expressing a desire for fuller information before forming an opinion. In this connection, the *Daily Express* this morning asks: "Why is it we know less about Ireland than any British Dominion or Colony—perhaps even less than we know of the European countries nearest our shores? Most of the old ideas we held about the Irish were odd and wrong, the result of songs, legends and English music-hall jokes. The danger now is that we have no ideas at all about them; for Ireland does not make big news—a pity for both peoples. In time of trouble we shall need each other."

In the course of the evening it was understood that the British Government intends to issue a considered statement regarding the new Constitution without delay, and it is possible that this will be published to-morrow. It is interesting to note that the British Government hitherto has been silent regarding the Constitution, so that its remarks now will have additional weight.

The Panay on the Screen

A film depicting the attack on the United States gunboat Panay is to be shown in London as soon as possible, and it will be flown to New York from Los Angeles to catch the fastest available liner to cross the Atlantic. The film, which is 5,000 feet in length, was insured for £60,000 for its journey from Hong Kong to America. It is said that no attacking aeroplanes are shown in the film, but the Panay's machine-gunners are seen at work, while victims of the attack fall, and civilians and sailors carry them below. Launches are shown making for the shore with the survivors and wounded, and the Stars and Stripes can be seen at the stern of one of the three Standard Oil ships which were attacked. Shore scenes show the wounded receiving medical care. Pictures of the latter vessel as shown here to-day reveal traces of many bullet holes in the bulwarks.

Programmes by Telephone

Work on the Government's broadcast relay service is to be started shortly, and the plan is likely to be in operation in the late summer or early autumn. Experiments are to be carried out with the object of distributing programmes on the telephone system without interfering with the normal working of the Telephone Exchanges, and the Post Office proposes to give subscribers a choice of programmes. If four programmes are distributed, they are likely to be the National and Regional of the B.B.C., and a choice of two foreign programmes. This will be an advance upon the present private relay systems, most of which provide only two programmes from which subscribers may choose. The Post Office proposes to charge eighteen pence a week for this service, but it is likely that an initial payment will be charged for installation, and loud speakers will have to be provided by subscribers.

East to West

One part of the Government plans for providing for the safety of the country in time of war is an arrangement for unloading food shipments at ports on the West Coast, with a view to relieving the more vulnerable places in the eastern part of the country. Once landed the foodstuffs will be distributed by road and rail, and plans for this have been carefully drawn up. Transport facilities have been reviewed, and the provision of storage accommodation considered. The proposals, which have been prepared by experts, are to be submitted to the President of the Board of Trade and Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister of Defence, and if they give their approval they will be passed on to the Cabinet for a final consent. It is thought that under the scheme prepared a great quantity of essential food supplies could be diverted from the east to the west without delay and quickly dealt with by the carefully arranged transport plan.

Hunting Trophies

The British Sporting Exhibition, which is to take place at the Imperial Institute to illustrate the history of hunting, will bring together the finest collection of big-game trophies ever seen in this country. Many of the exhibits have been shown in the recent Hunting Exhibition in Berlin, which was visited by the Duke of Windsor. Three hundred and fifty specimens will now be assembled, and this will include thirty world records, one being the great fringed-eared oryx shot by the Duke of Gloucester in Tanganyika. The big-game trophies are only a part of the Exhibition, as there will be a display of old guns, an exhibit by the Falconers' Club, and a show of photographs illustrating difficult and dangerous feats of tracking animals with the camera. Some of the guns are nearly three hundred years old, and almost every kind of sporting weapon will be on view. Some of these old guns are elaborately mounted in gold and silver, and possess interesting histories, one miniature pistol being made for George IV. The Falconers' exhibit should be of considerable interest, because England is the only country in the world where the sport has been continuously practised for more than one thousand years.

New Year's Eve

Christmas over, the West End hotels and restaurants are preparing for a really hectic night on New Year's Eve, arrangements being made to provide for no fewer than 100,000 people in the square mile round about Piccadilly. Most elaborate schemes of decoration have been prepared, that at one of the most prominent hotels being a burlesque on surrealism, though there will be nothing novel about the chimes of Big Ben to ring out the old year. Another hotel has planned its restaurant as a garden, and the effect will be very beautiful, with its floodlit ferneries and flower beds. One well-known restaurant will provide a Spanish cabaret with dancers and comic acrobats, who are coming to England for the occasion. Nearly all the hotels are providing special surprises that will not be made known until after the midnight hour has struck.

Broadcasts in Arabic

Fears having been expressed that the broadcasts in Arabic which are to be sent out by the B.B.C. in the East might prove useless owing to a shortage of radio sets, were scouted at headquarters to-day, the reply being that most of the listening in the East is done in cafés, while the provision of sets is more the business of the Foreign Office or local governments than of the B.B.C. The statements that the Italian sets are capable of picking up Italian propaganda only are absurd. At the Foreign Office it was said that the arrangements would not have been made unless the authorities were sure that the news in Arabic would reach the people. The Foreign Office officials say that they must be prepared, and they had now an organisation in the event of the propaganda menace becoming more serious.

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BRITAIN REJECTS EIRE'S CLAIM TO WHOLE ISLAND

NEW NAME "RELATES TO FREE STATE ONLY"

"No Fundamental Alteration" in Commonwealth Status

OFFICIAL STATEMENT FROM DOWNING STREET

Lord Craigavon Refers To A "Presumptuous Claim"

THE British Government has declined to recognise that the national territory of Eire consists of "the whole island of Ireland, its islands and the territorial seas."

Britain, an official statement last night from 10 Downing street declared, "cannot recognise that the adoption of the name Eire," or Ireland, "or any other provision of those Articles—2, 3 and 4 of the new Constitution—involves any right to territory or jurisdiction over territory forming part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, or affects the position of Northern Ireland as an integral part of the United Kingdom."

The statement adds that the Government regards the use of the name "Eire" as relating only to the area "hitherto known as the Irish Free State." This would appear to indicate that the new name will be accepted, although no specific reference is made.

Although asserting the principle that the whole of the island is national territory, the new Constitution makes it clear that at the moment administration will relate only to the twenty-six counties of the old Free State area.

The British Government says it is "prepared to treat the new Constitution as effecting no fundamental alteration" in the position of Eire as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations, and that Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa take the same view.

Northern Ireland loyalists' reaction to the British statement was one of "profound satisfaction," according to Viscount Craigavon, Premier of Northern Ireland, who declared last night that Eire's "presumptuous claim" to the whole of Ireland had received the answer it richly deserved.

MR. DE VALERA MAKES NO COMMENT

When President de Valera was asked by the "Irish Times" what he thought of the attitude of the British Government as defined in the official announcement, he replied: "I will make no comment on a newspaper report of the statement."

BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE

The following statement was issued from 10 Downing street last night on the British Government's attitude towards the new Constitution of the Irish Free State.

"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom has considered the position created by the new Constitution, which was approved by the Parliament of the Irish Free State in June, 1937, and came into force on December 29.

"They are prepared to treat the new Constitution as not effecting a fundamental alteration in the position of the Irish Free State, in future to be described under the new Constitution as 'Eire' or 'Ireland,' as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have ascertained that His Majesty's Governments in Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia, New Zealand, and the Union of South Africa are also prepared so to treat the new Constitution.

"His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom take note of Articles 2, 3 and 4 of the new Constitution.

"They cannot recognise that the adoption of the name 'Eire' or 'Ireland,' or any other provision of those articles involve any right to territory or jurisdiction over territory forming part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, or affects in any way the position of Northern Ireland as an integral part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

"They, therefore, regard the use of the name 'Eire' or 'Ireland' in this connection as relating only to that area which has hitherto been known as the Irish Free State."

NORTHERN VIEW

Viscount Craigavon, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, issued the following statement on receipt of the British Government's reply to Mr. de Valera:—

"Ulster loyalists will welcome with profound satisfaction the emphatic declaration of His Majesty's Government at Westminster that Northern Ireland's position as an integral part of the United Kingdom remains entirely unaffected by the provisions of the new Constitution, which come into force in Southern Ireland to-day.

"The presumptuous claim that the national territory consists of the whole of Ireland, its islands and territorial seas, and that the Parliament and Government established by the Constitution have the right to 'exercise jurisdicion over the whole of that territory,' has received the answer it richly deserves.

"All loyalists in Ireland—and there are many in the South—will deeply deplore the affront to His Majesty involved by the new Constitution. The loyalists of Ulster will seize this opportunity of affirming again their unalterable allegiance to the Crown and person of His Majesty, and Ulster will, I am confident, when her people go to the poll in the coming year, proclaim once more that whatever constitutional changes be enacted in the South, she, for her part, will remain faithful to Great Britain and the Empire.

"To my mind, the effect of the bringing into force of this new Constitution in the Free State will be to strengthen, if that be possible, the determination of Ulster to resist all attacks from that quarter and to draw still closer the bonds between the Mother Country and ourselves."

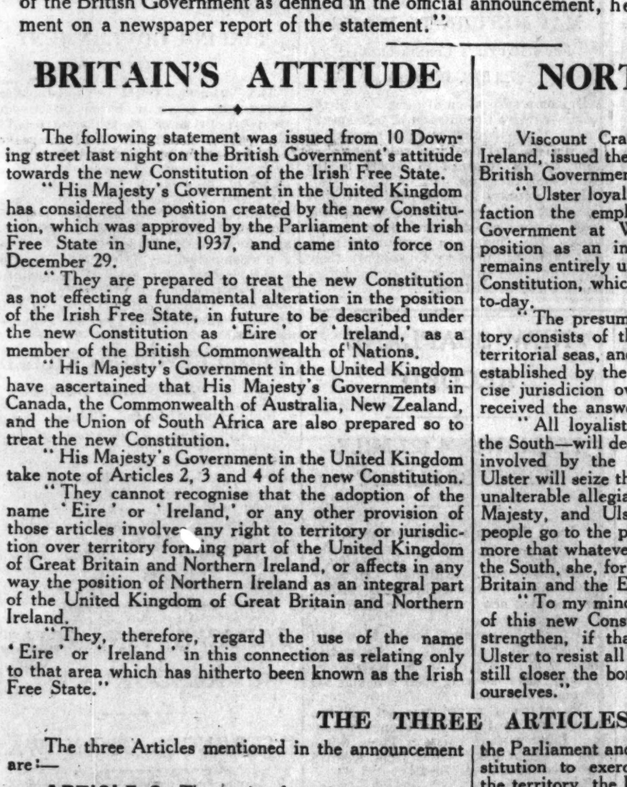
THE THREE ARTICLES

The three Articles mentioned in the announcement are:—

ARTICLE 2—The national territory consists of the whole island of Ireland, its islands and the territorial seas.

ARTICLE 3—Pending the re-integration of the national territory, and without prejudice to the right of the Parliament and Government established by this Constitution to exercise jurisdiction over the whole of the territory, the laws enacted by that Parliament shall have the like area and extent of application as the laws of Saorstat Eireann and the like extra-territorial effect.

ARTICLE 4—The name of the State is Eire, or, in the English language, Ireland.



The flag of Ireland flying yesterday over the home of the old Irish Parliament.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

MR. DE VALERA'S CONSTITUTION

The new Constitution for the Irish Free State has been inaugurated with suitable ceremony, remarks *The Times* editorially to-day. It was enacted last June, and the world has had plenty of time to become familiar with its main features. The Dail elected in July would, no doubt, have been less disposed to accept it than its predecessor, and the plebiscite taken upon it was only successful in a technical sense. But practical minds will overlook the origins and the legislative career of a document which, in the opinion of all the other Governments in the Empire, as recorded in the statement issued by the United Kingdom Government this morning, effects no "fundamental alteration in the position of the Irish Free State as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations." It is, indeed, clear that Mr. de Valera has intended no new and dramatic change whatever his terminology, and that neither the use of the term "Eire," or Ireland, in the Constitution, nor Mr. de Valera's references to partition when the Constitution was passing through the Dail, can represent more than aspirations towards a united Ireland.

In any case, yesterday's official announcement in London will allay any fears upon that score in Northern Ireland or elsewhere by making it clear that, in the view of the United Kingdom Government, the term "Eire" can relate only to that area which has so far been known as the Irish Free State.

Under the new Constitution unity in essentials remains possible, and the limits set to separatism are significant as an acknowledgment of where Irish interests ultimately lie. Nor have the Irish Free State Government shown themselves

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Mr. De Valera's Broadcast to the Nation

"Unfettered Control of Domestic and Foreign Affairs"

"WITHIN that Constitution the unity of the national territory can be restored. Within it the people's right to enter into, determine, or maintain any relationship with other nations which may be open to them can be freely exercised."

So said Mr. Eamon de Valera, Taoiseach of the Government of Eire, in a broadcast from the Dublin Station last night to mark the occasion of the coming into operation of the new Constitution.

The following is the text of his address:—

"Although not designed, a singular appropriateness marks the moment at which the National Constitution comes into operation. It is the season of peace and good-will. I hope and pray that the spirit of this season will remain with our country in the new era into which it is passing. I hope and pray that with the Constitution which has come into operation to-day our country will have a new life of peaceful and ordered progress in friendship with her neighbours and the other nations of the world.

"I have come to speak to you to-night to ask you to dwell with me for a little while on the importance of the event which is now taking place. I have chosen this method of speaking to you—to each one of you in your homes—both you who are in Ireland and you who are in exile in order that, united as the members of one great family, children of the same motherland, we may, irrespective of any party differences, appraise together what has been accomplished and take counsel for future effort, so that the fair promise which this moment holds for our country may be completely fulfilled.

PEACEFUL INAUGURATION

"There is some danger that, in the long discussions which have taken place on the technical details of the new mechanism of the State, the deep and vital significance of the Constitution as a whole may not be sufficiently realised. In my broadcast on Christmas Eve I recalled the long night of sorrows through which our nation had passed. With the vision before you of the many centuries of anguish and frustration, when it could hardly have been hoped that our nation could survive, picture the peaceful inauguration of the new Constitution this morning. In that Constitution the traditions and aspirations of our people for national independence, national unity, and the unfettered control of their domestic and foreign affairs have been set as the basic principles of the law by which we are henceforth to be governed.

"Within that Constitution the unity of the national territory can be restored. Within it the people's right to enter into, determine, or maintain any relationship with other nations which may be open to them can be freely exercised. Within it any man, or group of men, commanding the support of the majority in the National Parliament can legally carry through any programme in the domain of our internal or external relations which he or they may conceive to be in the national interest.

A FREE CONSTITUTION

"The new Constitution is then a free Constitution, not dependent upon any theory of constitutional relationship with, not to speak of subjection to, any other country or group of countries. It is framed on the basis of the full international personality of the Irish State, and, while providing for the machinery of friendly co-operation with other nations in matters which may be deemed to be of mutual interest or common concern, is untrammelled by any commitment whatever in the domain of our external affairs. The day that this Constitution becomes effective over the whole of the national territory, that day Emmet's epitaph may be written. The hastening of that day is one of the great tasks to which I would this evening summon the Irish race to dedicate itself anew. I would ask all our people, especially those who in the past differed from the majority in their political opinions, to let all former differences disappear in the "common name of Irishmen." Our country is dear to all of us, and all of us are needed to bring her to the destiny which we believe can be hers. Our nation seeks to injure no other nation or people. We want nothing that is not ours by every title of justice and of right.

CHIEF SIGNIFICANCE

"I have told you to what extent the new Constitution lays the legal foundation of our freedom, but it would not be really worthy of our nation's past if it did no more. Political freedom is, after all, a means and not an end. The end is a community living rightly and nobly. The State exists to promote the welfare of the individual—his spiritual as well as his material welfare—and the social order to be right must be consistent with the maintenance of the dignity of the human person and with man's supernatural destiny. The attitude of the Irish people in regard to these questions—the purpose of civil society and the scope of its function in relation to the individual citizen—is not in doubt.

"The Christian philosophy of life has determined the character of our people for long over a thousand years. The chief significance of the new Constitution coming at the present time is that it is in complete accord with national conviction and tradition in these matters, and that it bears upon its face from the first words of its preamble to the dedication at its close the character of the public law of a great Christian democracy. That character is most apparent in those Articles which safeguard the imprescriptible rights of the individual and the family, the sanctity and indissolubility of the marriage bond, and those in which guiding principles are laid down for the direction of the national Parliament towards the evolution of a right economic system, and, above all, in those which recognise religion and acknowledge that the homage of public worship is due to Almighty God in the way which He has shown to be His will.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE REPEATED

"In my Christmas broadcast I called the attention of our young people to the opportunities which are now theirs, and exhorted them to use these opportunities for the common good and for the glory of our nation. I would like to repeat that exhortation to-night. I would appeal to them to play their part in particular in restoring the national language which is so essential to our full nationhood. The language is given the rightful precedence in the Constitution, of which it forms the basic text. May I not ask our youth to give it its due place in their studies and in their lives?"

The cross headings do not form part of the text.

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adverse to co-operation in economic matters, as witness the Coal-Cattle Agreement, the renewal of which is even expected to be the subject of early negotiations. More attention has, perhaps, been given to Mr. de Valera's Constitution than it would otherwise have attracted because of the coincident decision to appoint an Irish Free State Minister to Italy, the presentation of whose credentials will involve the description of the King of Italy as "Emperor of Abyssinia." Mr. de Valera himself, however, has been at pains to minimise the effects of this move. He has insisted that only *de facto*, not *de jure*, recognition is involved, and his statement can be taken at its face value. It will be remembered that the Italian Government recently created a Legation in Dublin, and that an exchange of Ministers would be a normal courtesy. Even so, there seems to be something inconsistent here with the part which Mr. de Valera has played at Geneva, and with his undoubtedly sincere professions of loyalty to action through the League.

PARIS STRIKE ENDS

PARIS, Thursday.

Work will be resumed here this morning, reports the Havas Agency.—(Reuter.)

GERMAN PRAISE FOR BRITAIN'S JUDGMENT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Wednesday.

"In the history of the fight for the right of self-determination of nations the example of Ireland will always be one of symptomatic significance," says the officially inspired German *Diplomatische Korrespondenz*, commenting on the coming into force of the new Irish Constitution.

The writer praises Great Britain's "sound judgment" and her recognition that a campaign of oppression against a minority who insist on their characteristics could not be carried through without doing harm to both the oppressor and the oppressed.

MILITARY PARADES IN DUBLIN

Religious Services in the Churches

MINISTERS AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL

Business as Usual in the City

THE Tricolour flying from all Government Buildings, as well as other public concerns in the city, was the first intimation to the people of Dublin yesterday that anything out of the normal was happening. In the vicinity of the Government offices in Merrion street the presence of Civic Guards in strong numbers was to be noted about nine o'clock in the morning.

Almost on the stroke of nine a motor car drove up with Mr. de Valera and his A.D.C., Captain S. Brennan. Mr. de Valera proceeded to his offices, where he found his staff already at their desks. He was followed a quarter of an hour afterwards by Mr. S. MacEntee, Minister for Finance, and then in quick succession by Mr. P. J. Little, Parliamentary Secretary; Mr. P. Ruttledge, Minister for Justice; Mr. S. Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce; Mr. T. Derrig, Minister for Education; Mr. O. Traynor, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs; Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Lands, and Mr. F. Fahy, Chairman of the Dail.

Then, at 9.24, with a great clatter, arived a mounted escort, and quickly took up position in front of the Buildings. Hot on their heels came Dr. Ryan, Minister for Agriculture; then Mr. F. Aiken, Minister for Defence, and, finally, Mr. Patrick Lynch, K.C., Attorney-General. The full Ministry, with the exception of Mr. S. T. O'Kelly, Minister for Local Government and Public Health, who is absent in Rome, assembled in the Cabinet Room.

At 9.40 Mr. de Valera, accompanied by Mr. Fahy and Mr. Ruttledge, appeared on the entrance steps to Government Buildings, and was greeted with hand-clapping from the crowd, numbering a couple of dozen, which had assembled outside. He waited a couple of seconds while Press photographers took "snaps," and then entered a waiting motor car. The other Ministers followed, and the whole party, in four cars, moved off along Merrion street, headed by the escort, to the Pro-Cathedral.

PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION SITS

The passing of the procession *via* St. Stephen's Green (North), Grafton street, Westmoreland street and O'Connell street to the Pro Cathedral excited the interest of people in the streets hurrying to their business.

There were larger numbers of people about the streets when Mr. de Valera and his Ministers were returning from the Votive Mass, but nowhere was there to be witnessed any great display of enthusiasm.

Back at Government Buildings, the members of the Government proceeded to the Cabinet Room, where, after they had been photographed, they assembled for their first meeting.

At 11.15 Chief Justice Sullivan arrived at Government Buildings, and was immediately escorted to the Cabinet anteroom, where he was received by Mr. de Valera and Mr. Ruttledge, Minister for Justice. Having made the appropriate declaration, the Chief Justice left Government Buildings and proceeded to the Four Courts, where before him in the Supreme Court Mr. Justice Conor Maguire, President of the High Court, made the appropriate declaration.

AT DUBLIN CASTLE

The scene then shifted to Dublin Castle. Hither at 12.40 p.m. came the Chief Justice, Mr. T. Sullivan, in company with Mr. Justice Maguire, President of the High Court, and found awaiting them Mr. Frank Fahy, Chairman of the Dail, the third member of the Presidential Commission, together with Mr. Michael McDunphy, Secretary to the President of Ireland. The meeting lasted only ten minutes, and then dispersed. The Commission, on the advice of the Government, appointed Judge D. J. O'Brion as Chairman of the Railway Tribunal.

They also, acting on the advice of the Government, made the following ordinary appointments under Section 4 of the Defence Forces Act, 1933:—Major-General Brennan to be Chief of Staff of the Defence Forces; Colonel Liam Hayes, to be Adjutant General; Colonel Eamonn Vincent O'Carroll, to be Quartermaster-General; and Mr. Michael O'Callaghan, Barrister-at-Law, to be Judge Advocate General.

At the meeting of the Government at Government Buildings, Mr. Michael McDunphy was appointed Secretary to the President of Ireland.

Congratulations

Messages of congratulation and good wishes on the coming into operation of the Constitution of Eire, and prayers for the welfare of a united Irish nation, were received at Government Buildings yesterday from various parts of the world.

In addition to scores of telegrams from Great Britain and Ireland, messages were received from the principal cities in America, including New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and San Francisco, and from Australia and European countries.

The senders included bishops, priests and laymen, as well as Irish organisations at home and abroad. Several of the messages from abroad promised support for the efforts made at home for national unity.

Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, Tanaiste, who is spending a holiday in Rome, telegraphed congratulations and good wishes for Eire under the new Constitution.

The Most Rev. Dr. Cotter, Bishop of Portsmouth, also telegraphed from Rome: "Grateful congratulations on Constitution Day and Eire's continued progress to self and Executive Council for further advance of our nation's freedom."

THE MILITARY STATIONS

GUNS FIRED AND FLAGS HOISTED

To the booming of twenty-one guns the Constitution of Eire was inaugurated in Dublin yesterday.

Flags were flying on all Government offices and other public buildings in the cities, while the Legations and Consulates of foreign countries displayed their national flags in honour of the occasion.

The first ceremonies of the day were of a military character. Garrisons paraded at the Headquarters of the Dublin Military District (Portobello Barracks), Collins Barracks and McKee Barracks. Similar parades were held at other military centres throughout the twenty-six counties of the former Free State area.

At the Dublin Military Headquarters the garrison paraded under Commandant D. McGrath, O.C., 2nd Regiment of Rifles, with other senior officers of the district, including Major J. Liston and Commandant B. Dunne, present. The Colours were formally hoisted and *Réveillé* sounded, while the troops presented arms.

ARTILLERY AT KILMAINHAM

From the grounds of the Civic Guard Headquarters at the Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, the salute of twenty-one guns was fired by the four eighteen-pounders of the 4th Field Battery, drafted into the city from the Curragh, under Captain F. T. Slater. The last round of the salute was the signal for the rattling sound of a *feu-de-joie* at Portobello, Collins and McKee Barracks. This was followed at headquarters by the playing of the "Soldiers' Song" by the No. 1 Army Band, under Lieutenant James Doyle. Captain D. Houston was in charge of the party which fired the *feu-de-joie* at Portobello.

The troops at each of the barracks then attended Mass in their Garrison Churches. The celebrants of the Masses were the Army Chaplains—the Rev. Richard Casey (Portobello), Rev. John MacLaughlin (Collins) and Rev. Martin Kennedy (McKee).

Detachments from Islandbridge Barracks paraded with the 5th Infantry Battalion at Collins Barracks. Captain Michael Kelly was in charge of the parade; Captain P. McKenna commanded the Islandbridge detachment; the flag was hoisted by Captain J. Madden, and the officer in charge of the *feu-de-joie* party was Captain J. Madden.

The officer in charge of the McKee Barracks ceremony was Captain D. J. Corry, with Lieutenant Lorcan O'Brien commanding the guard of honour.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

SPECIAL MASS AT THE PRO-CATHEDRAL

At the Pro-Cathedral Mr. de Valera and members of the Government and many other State personages and officials attended the celebration of a Solemn Votive Mass of the Holy Ghost. A large number of the general public also were present.

There was a crowd gathered outside and near the Cathedral to watch the arrival of the members of the Government, who were attended by a captain's escort of cavalry, in blue and gold uniforms.

The Archbishop of Dublin, the Most Rev. Dr. E. Byrne, who was accompanied by the Very Rev. Michael F. Murphy, Adm., and the clergy of the parish, received the Taoiseach and Ministers in the presbytery before the Mass.

In the Cathedral Mr. de Valera, the

TO-DAY'S WEATHER

Mainly cloudy.

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Minister for Justice, and the Chairman of Dail Eireann were seated before the altar rails on the left-hand side, and on the right was the Lord Mayor of Dublin (Alderman A. Byrne, C.D.).

THE CLERGY

The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. T. B. Condon, C.C., Pro-Cathedral; the Rev. T. Murphy and the Rev. P. Kinsella, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, were deacon and sub-deacon, respectively, and the Rev. M. E. Murphy, Adm., was master of ceremonies.

The following priests of the Pro-Cathedral were also present:—The Rev. M. Boyland, C.C.; the Rev. J. P. Camac, C.C.; the Rev. P. O'Flynn, C.C.; the Rev. E. J. Gallen, C.C., and the Rev. F. Kenny, C.C.

Other clergy present were:—The Rev. J. McArdle, P.P., Fairview; the Rev. D. M. Collier, O.M.I., Superior, Oblate House, Inchicore; the Rev. Colman O'Driscoll, O.S.A., and the Rev. T. B. O'Flynn, O.S.A., John's Lane; the Rev. A. McKinley, P.P.; the Rev. T. Tobin, Lismore; the Rev. J. Farrell, Clonmel; the Rev. M. O'Farrell, the Rev. Dr. V. Dyer, Archdiocese of Bombay, India; the Rev. J. Bijvoet, S.J., Milltown Park; the Rev. Van Boizairt, Milltown Park; the Rev. G. Georges, S.J.; ditto; the Rev. J. Whelan, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. B. McMahon, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. P. McCambridge, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. J. Carter, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. J. Shephard, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. D. O'Callaghan, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. J. Ryan, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. F. O'Connor, O.M.I., St. Teresa's, Liverpool; the Rev. P. A. Blood, Cabra; the Rev. P. Collins, S.C.; the Rev. P. Breen, S.C.

THE ATTENDANCE

Members of the Government present were:—Mr. E. de Valera, Mr. P. J. Ruttledge, Minister for Justice; Mr. Sean MacEntee, Minister for Finance; Dr. J. Ryan, Minister for Agriculture; Mr. Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce; Mr. T. Derrig, Minister for Education; Mr. F. Aiken, Minister for Defence; Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Lands; Mr. O. Traynor, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs.

Others present included:—Mr. Frank Fahy, Chairman of Dail Eireann; Mr. P. Lynch, Attorney-General; Mr. P. J. Little, Parliamentary Secretary to Mr. de Valera; Mr. Sean O'Grady, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Lands; Chief Justice Sullivan, Mr. Justice Conor Maguire, President of the High Court; Mr. Justice Murnaghan, Mr. Justice J. Geoghegan, Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, Mr. Justice O'Byrne, Judge Davitt, Judge McElligott, Judge W. Gleeson, Judge Comyn, Judge Shannon, District Justices Conroy, Hannan, Lennon, McCarthy, Goff.

Major-General M. Brennan, Chief of Staff; Colonel Liam Hayes, Adjutant-General; Major-General Joseph Sweeney, G.O.C. Curragh Command; Major-General Hugo MacNeill, O.C. Military College; Colonel M. Costello, Deputy Chief of Staff; Colonel F. Bennett, Deputy Q.M.G.; Colonel McKenna, Director of Cavalry; Colonel M. Hogan, Major J. V. Joyce, Deputy Adjutant General; Colonel E. Broy, Commissioner, Civic Guard; Assistant Commissioners D. Woods and G. Brennan.

DEPUTIES AND OFFICIALS

Messrs. L. Walsh, C.D., Mayor of Drogheda; D. Allen, C.D.; Cormac Breathnach, C.D.; S. Moore, C.D.; P. Smith, C.D.; P. J. Fogarty, C.D.; T. Kelly, C.D.; J. P. Kelly, C.D.; T. Harris, C.D.; D. O'Rourke, C.D.; R. Walsh, C.D.; C. Lavery, S.C., C.D.; J. Esmonde, C.D.; T. Lawlor, C.D.; Dr. J. Hannigan, C.D.; G. McGowan, C.D.

Messrs. J. J. McElligott, Secretary to the Department of Finance; Sean Moynihan, Assistant Secretary, do.; S. Roche, Secretary to the Department of Justice; M. J. Kinnane, Assistant Secretary, do.; D. Twomey, Secretary, Department of Agriculture; M. A. Corrigan, Chief State Solicitor; G. McGrath, Comptroller and Auditor-General; J. Herlihy, Commissioner of Valuation; William O'Brien, Chairman, Revenue Commissioners; E. Carey, Revenue Commissioners; T. Cleary, do.; Professor J. B. Whelehan, Stationery Office; M. Moynihan, Secretary to the Government; M. McDunphy, Secretary to the President; Sean Leydon, Secretary to the Department of Industry and Commerce; Sean Murphy, Assistant Secretary, Department of External Affairs; J. J. Hearne, Legal Advisor, Department of External Affairs; T. A. Murphy, Secretary, Civil Service Commission; M. Christie, Examiner of Private Bills; E. C. Powell, Department of Justice; J. F. Duff, do.; D. Devlin, Department of External Affairs; Miss K. O'Connell, Private Secretary to Mr. de Valera; Shan O'Cuiv, Director, Information Bureau; P. P. O'Donohoe, Attorney-General's Office; A. Scully, Land Commission; Mr. J. G. Fottrell, Brazilian Consul; P. J. Hernon, Dublin City Manager; Mrs. Maud Walsh, T.C.; Miss M. Pearse, J. McDonnell, Establishment Office, Department of Posts and Telegraphs; Padraig O'Maille.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR IRELAND

The principal Service in connection with the Church of Ireland was held in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, at 10 a.m. It was a special Service of intercession for Ireland, conducted by the Dean, the Very Rev. D. F. R. Wilson, who, in calling on the congregation to pray for Ireland, used the words: "Let us pray for the Government of Ireland and for all those who are set in authority in this land, that all things being so ordered and settled by their endeavours upon the best and surest foundations, peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations."

The prayer which followed was:—"O God, from Whom all power is derived, Who, by Thy holy Apostles hast taught us to make prayers and intercessions for all men, we implore Thy blessing, more especially upon this our country, upon its Government, and its people.

"May Thy Holy Spirit direct and guide our rulers and all who are set in authority. Grant that they may govern in Thy faith and fear, striving to put down all evil and to encourage and support all that is good.

"Give Thy spirit of wisdom to those whose duty it is to make laws for us. Give them the understanding mind that they may know how great a work Thou hast given them to do, that gravely, soberly, and in the fear of God, they may always enact things that are just, wise and merciful, to the putting away of all wrong and oppression, and to the advancement of the true welfare of this people. O, God, save Ireland and bless it with Thy holy hand."

"Give peace in our time, O Lord. Preserve us and our Government from the evil spirit of pride and dissension, and teach us to serve and labour with all sincerity to preserve peace at home and abroad. Save us from all injustice and oppression, from selfish indifference to the needs of others.

"Help us to respond to the call of our country according to our several powers, and give us grace to fulfil our duties with sober diligence. Keep us from all uncharitableness in word or deed, and enable us by patient continuance in well-doing to glorify Thy Name."

The Service included the 138th Psalm, the Jubilate, which was sung to the setting of Stanford, and the old Irish hymn:

Lord, of Thy mercy, hear our cry
For this long-favoured land,
That now, as in the days gone by,
Her strength may be Thy hand.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Archbishop.

THE ATTENDANCE

Mr. de Valera was represented by Mr. David Robinson, and Mr. R. G. Leonard, K.C., represented the Attorney-General, Chairman of the Bar Council.

The Chapter of St. Patrick's Cathedral was represented by the Preceptor, Canon Drury; the Chancellor, the Rev. Dr. Luce; the Dean's Vicar, the Rev. J. L. Atkinson, and the Rev. Henry Savage.

Amongst those attending were Mr. Justice FitzGibbon and Mrs. FitzGibbon, Mr. Justice Meredith and Mrs. Meredith, the Warden of St. Columba's College and the Rev. W. J. Whittaker and the Rev. R. C. Madden (Clondalkin), Alderman E. Benson, C.D.; Mr. W. Warnock, Department of External Affairs; A. O Cadhain, Revenue Commissioners; Messrs. R. Craig and J. C. MacLean (Dublin Corporation); Commander and Mrs. B. T. Coote, Captain R. J. Hops, Messrs. R. N. Coote, R. W. Jameson, President, Insurance Institute of Ireland; Dr. E. H. Alton, S.F.,T.C.D.; Dr. W. F. Trench, T.C.D.; Dr. Ella Webb, Mrs. Bowers, Miss T. J. Beere, Miss T. M. Berry, Mrs. Wilson, Miss M. Cunningham (Trinity Hall), Mrs. Meysey Turton, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Dorman, Miss Power Steele, Mrs. Denis Coote, Mrs. J. Richardson Lucan, San Francisco; Miss Fay Little, Mr. and Mrs. Esmonde W. Little; Mr. and Mrs. Brian Gwynn, Mr. G. B. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Poole, and Messrs. D. W. Bowen, J. J. Cunningham, London; David Hopkins, Ewart Grace, W. Power Steele, James Kitchen, F. M. Cathcart and F. J. Kearon.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

At the quarterly meeting of the St. Stephen's Green Circuit, held last night in the Methodist Centenary Church, the Rev. R. Lee Cole, M.A., B.D., Chairman of the Dublin District Synod, spoke sympathetically and hopefully of the new chapter of Irish history which is now opening in connection with the new Constitution. Prayer was specially offered on behalf of the Government of the new Ireland and the various responsible officers of State.

OTHER SERVICES

Services were also held in Christ Church Cathedral and in churches in the city and suburbs; and the Religious Society of Friends had a special meeting for worship at 6 Eustace street at 10 a.m.

Special prayers were recited in the Synagogues in connection with the Constitution. The Rev. A. Gudanski officiated at a special Jewish Service in the Synagogue in Adelaide road, and Rabbi E. Gavron, Acting Chief Rabbi of the Dublin Jewish community, recited a special prayer at the Synagogue in Lombard street.

DECLARATION IN DISTRICT COURT

Mr. Laurence Conroy, District Justice, made the declaration prescribed for District Justices under the new Constitution before business began yesterday in the Dublin District Court.

THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

FLAGS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Cork.—At 9.30 a.m. there was a parade of the various units in Collins Barracks, under Commandants Leamy and McAllister. The troops paraded in the barrack square, and at 9.30 the orderly officer of the day, Captain McManus, hoisted the Tricolour and the Reveille was sounded. The troops then presented arms standing to attention. At 9.40 a firing party, composed of men of the 4th Battalion Regiment of Rifles, fired a *feu de joie*. At the conclusion of the first volley the No. 2 Army Band played two bars of the National Anthem, and the firing party then fired a second volley. This was also followed by the playing of the next two bars of the Anthem, and at the conclusion of a third volley the remaining portion of the Anthem was played. Throughout this ceremony the assembled troops presented arms, and, in response to a command at the conclusion of the Anthem, they grounded arms and marched to the barrack chapel, where Mass was celebrated by the Rev. H. O'Neill, C.F.

An interesting fact in connection with the ceremony was that it commenced at 9.30 and concluded at 9.40, this ten minutes being the time during which the Constitution was being honoured by the firing of a salute of twenty-one guns at military headquarters in Dublin.

The tricolour was flown over public buildings in honour of the occasion.

Limerick.—Flags flew from all public buildings in Limerick. At the Sarsfield Barracks the troops, under Commandant Crean, paraded in the barrack square at 9.30 o'clock, and the garrison flag was hoisted to a fanfare of bugles. Following a march past a *feu-de-joie* was fired, and the parade was dismissed. There was a rush to the General Post Office in the morning, where huge quantities of the new Constitution stamps were sold.

Waterford.—Constitution Day in Waterford did not evoke any demonstration during daylight hours. Arrangements were made late in the afternoon to organise a procession through the streets by the Fianna Fail brass band. The national flag was flown on public buildings and Guards' barrack, and here and there in the windows of about a dozen private houses. No Services were held in the city churches, and in general conversation the Constitution received only casual mention.

Galway.—At Renmore Barracks, the home of the First (Irish-speaking) Battalion of the army, the troops paraded at 9.30 a.m. The tricolour was hoisted, and there was a general salute and three volleys were fired. Captain Coley was in charge of the parade. All the troops attended Mass in the little church attached to the barrack at 10 o'clock.

During the day some of the Government offices in the city were closed, and the tricolour floated over a number of public buildings and from the windows of some private houses.

Athlone.—At the hoisting of the flag in the military barracks, which was performed by Captain M. J. Buckley, O.C., the "*Reveille*" was sounded and a "*feu-de-joie*" fired. The No. 4 Army Band played the National Anthem. Captain M. Murphy was in charge of the firing party, and the main body of troops were under Captain P. J. Butler. National flags were displayed in the town.

Tipperary.—In Tipperary Town, beyond the closing of the banks and solicitors' offices, business proceeded as usual. The tricolour was flown from the Civic Guard barrack and several private residences. At night a bonfire blazed on hills overlooking the town.

Ennis.—Constitution Day was marked in Ennis by speeches of welcome delivered at a special meeting of the Ennis Urban Council and by public addresses delivered from the steps of the County Courthouse by men prominent in the public life of Clare. The national flag was hoisted over both buildings at the conclusion of the addresses, and the general salute was sounded by a bugler. Flags flew from all public buildings, including the Civic Guard barrack and a number of private houses.

Longford.—In Longford the national flag was flown from public buildings and a number of houses in the town.

Bantry.—Flags were flown from many houses, patriotic mottoes spanned the principal street, and the tricolour was hoisted at the Civic Guard barrack. Tar barrels were lighted during the evening, around which large crowds gathered and sang patriotic songs and cheered the Constitution.

Letterkenny.—District Justice Louis J. Walsh at Letterkenny made his declaration of service and fidelity to the new Constitution in the presence of an interested audience. All Government buildings and some merchants' premises flew the national flag.

Clonmel.—Following a torchlight procession the people of Clonmel, at a large public meeting, congratulated President de Valera on the inauguration of the new Constitution, to which they pledged their loyalty. They further pledged themselves to support by all means in their power every effort made to achieve territorial unity of Eire. Councillor E. V. White, Mayor (Fine Gael), who presided, said that the Constitution established a new era in the country, which he sincerely hoped would bring happiness and prosperity to all its citizens. He endorsed President de Valera's broadcast appeal for a spirit of goodwill and toleration, which would help towards the country's advancement. Councillor James Taylor (Fianna Fail) said that that day Eire had risen in her full strength and taken her place among the nations of the earth. Councillor J. Fennessy (Fianna Fail) also spoke.

Mallow.—At Mallow the tricolour was flown from the windows of hotels, shops and dwellinghouses. A huge flag was displayed at the Guards' barrack, and in the centre of the town flags were flown from the roof of the Town Hall. Large numbers went from Mallow and the surrounding districts at night to a celebration and public meeting in Kanturk, addressed by Mr. Sean Moylan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Commerce.

Kells.—The tricolour was hoisted over the Town Hall and Courthouse, and at night a huge bonfire was lighted, amid the cheers of a large crowd, on the Fair Green, where they were addressed by Mr. M. O'Reilly, C.D. The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

KILKENNY.—Last night there was a procession, composed of a pipers' band, Fianna Boy Scouts, members of Fianna Fail, Kilkenny Brigade of the old I.R.A., and members of the Corporation, and subsequently a largely attended meeting was held at The Parade, at which Alderman McSweeney presided, and speeches were made by Sean Gibbons, ex-T.D.; ex-Senator Quirke, Alderman Bryan and Mr. John J. Dunne.

OPINION IN THE NORTH

"ACCENTUATES CLEAVAGE WITH THE SOUTH"

The views of Ulster Unionists on the new Constitution will be made known officially in the report of the Ulster Unionist Council at its annual meeting in three weeks' time. The draft report is to be considered by the Standing Committee of the Council on the 6th January.

It is understood that emphasis will be placed on the determination of Ulster Unionists that Northern Ireland will retain its present status as an integral part of the "United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland," and any proposal for government by an all-Ireland Parliament in Dublin will be emphatically repudiated. In this the Unionist Council will express the view, not only of official Unionists, but also the Independent Unionists, who in a "Twelve Point Programme" have already declared that their policy is to "maintain and consolidate the present status of Northern Ireland as a self-governing unit in the United Kingdom, and to oppose any change of this status, which would incorporate Northern Ireland or place it under the Free State Government."

PLATFORM PROPAGANDA

Notwithstanding this declaration, Mr. de Valera's new Constitution, it is expected, will be good platform propaganda for Lord Craigavon when he launches the election campaign in Northern Ireland in the course of the next few months. It will be used to the utmost by the official Unionist candidates to "stiffen waverers" and induce them to vote for the official candidates rather than for the "Independent Unionists." The ordinary man-in-the-street, however, pays little attention to the new Constitution, and the calm assumption of the name of "Eire," or "Ireland," as the new description of the twenty-six counties only causes amusement.

The ordinary voter in the North is more concerned with improving the unemployment situation, revising revaluation, which presses heavily on various sections of the community, and also revising the Transport Act, which, it is asserted, is putting up the cost of goods to farmers and traders. The ordinary Unionist in the North holds the opinion that the new Constitution widens the breach between North and South.

NEWSPAPER COMMENT

The *Belfast Telegraph* to-night states:—"This new 'charter of nationhood,' as the 1937 Constitution is lauded to be, so far from being an instrument to achieve the unity of Ireland, serves to accentuate the cleavage between the two Irelands. And in its own area it makes for the restriction rather than the enlargement of freedom.

"'Independence' Day is being celebrated as a great triumph for Mr. de Valera, but even the Taoiseach himself must have misgivings. No Constitution was ever foisted upon any people on the strength of a majority of nine per cent. of its people. From the point of view of precedent, the new Constitution is unconstitutional. The outcome of the plebiscite could not have been otherwise than disappointing to the man whose hopes were most centred in it. 685,105 votes were cast in its favour and 526,945 against, a majority of only 158,160 out of a total electorate of 1,771,147. In the United States, to which Mr. de Valera turns so readily for sympathy and support, there must be a two-thirds majority before any constitutional change can be introduced. Other countries could be cited where there can be no tampering with the Constitution save with the approval of a very substantial majority. There is no such sanction here, and had it been feasible to sound the mind of the thirty-two counties on the issue, there would have been no endorsement of this new instrument in the land which its author claims to be one and indivisible."

ENGLISH COMMENT

NEWSPAPERS SATISFIED

In a leading article the *Daily Mail* says:—Downing Street has wisely lost no time in clarifying the situation resulting from the adoption of a new Constitution for what was until yesterday the Irish Free State. The official announcement issued last night makes it clear that in the view of both Governments the position of Southern Ireland in the Empire remains fundamentally unaltered. It is a welcome statement. The people in this island entertain the friendliest feelings for the kindred people across the Irish Channel, and wish them well in the course they have chosen. That they prefer the name "Eire" or "Ireland" to "Free State" will make no difference to the existing good-will. It is a matter for them alone, since, as the Government's message points out, Northern Ireland, who desires to strengthen her close ties with the United Kingdom, is not affected by anything in the Constitution of Eire.

The *News Chronicle* says:—If the Irish Free State wishes in future to be known as Eire, so be it! What's in a name? It would be foolish to kick up a great fuss on this side of the Irish Sea because Eire means Ireland.

Tuesday's issue of *The Times* was confiscated at Frankfurt-on-Main to-day, presumably on account of the Pope's Christmas Eve address, in which he spoke of "grievous persecutions of the Church in Germany."

At Belfast Summons Court yesterday, Robert Wylie, Kimberley street, was fined £3, with 26s. extra costs, for driving in a manner dangerous to the public, and 5s. in respect of not having a driver's licence in force.

"ULSTER WILL NOT GIVE IN"

STATEMENT BY SIR EDWARD ARCHDALE

STRENGTH IN RANKS OF UNIONISTS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ENNISKILLEN, Wednesday.

MR. DE VALERA will be a bit disappointed, for there is not the remotest possibility of Ulster giving in and letting that gentleman have his own say and his swing over us, said Sir Edward Archdale, Bart., M.P., at a large Orange reunion at Kesh.

Sir Edward recalled that it was in 1898 he first came to Kesh to receive their support for Parliament, for which he had always been very grateful. He said that de Valera was having tremendous functions in the Free State over the new Constitution, saying that when he became President of Eire he would stagger along for a bit and then the whole of Ireland would be under his sway. He then made the statement quoted, and, dealing with the efforts in the Free State to establish the use of the Irish language, said that, out of fifty-two members in the Dail, only thirteen could speak in Irish. He said that the children would have to learn English because it was to England they had to turn for permanent employment. Sir Edward quoted many figures to prove the increased prosperity in Ulster's agricultural industry, and, in conclusion, appealed for unity in the forthcoming election.

Sir Basil Brooke, Bart., M.P., made a strong appeal for the avoidance of a split in the Unionist Party in view of the forthcoming election. Having dealt with the tactics which the Opposition never failed to use, he said that the danger to be faced at present was one from within, but he believed that the people would remain firm and steadfast, as they had done in the past.

The Rev. Canon Stack and Mr. Gamble, M.P., paid high tribute to Sir Edward Archdale's services on behalf of the Orange and Unionist cause of Ulster.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END

MINISTER ON THE NEW CONSTITUTION

Speaking at a public meeting, held in the Thomas O'Clery Hall, Fairview, Dublin, last night, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, Mr. Oscar Traynor, said that the old Constitution was bad and deserved to be forgotten. It left them as a discredited document which had had to be amended twenty-seven times in fourteen years, and it had had to receive the force of law from the British legislature. The new Constitution was designed to meet the needs of the people and to make the nation as distinctive and as clearly cut as France was from Germany, and these things would be accomplished without the loss of the goodwill of any nation that desired to be on terms of friendship with our people.

The Minister dealt in detail with the powers conferred on the new President by the Constitution, and said that the attempt to prove that those powers were dictatorial was a complete fiasco and was abandoned for the cry of "hands off women's rights."

Throughout the new Constitution women had got equal rights with men, and the attack was based, in the first instance, on the omission of the words "without distinction of sex." These had been omitted because no distinction was made as far as political rights were concerned. There was no suggestion of preventing women from entering any business for which they showed suitability or special aptitude.

He was not suggesting that the Constitution was the completion of the task for which generations of the people had fought and suffered, but he felt that it was the beginning of the end of that task.

Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Lands and Fisheries, also spoke.

SINN FEIN AND THE CONSTITUTION

SPEECHES AT A DUBLIN MEETING

Sinn Fein held a vigorous meeting in Cathal Brugha street, Dublin, last night, to protest against what was described as "the bogus Constitution of Ireland." Mrs. Margaret Buckley, president of the organisation, presided.

Except for one or two mild interruptions the meeting was without incident, and the large patrols of Civic Guards who were on special duty for the occasion spent the evening quietly as members of the audience.

Resolutions were passed calling on the citizens of Dublin to condemn the "bogus Constitution of Ireland" as being subversive of the Republic and aiming at the perpetuation of partition; to pledge themselves to combine against the enlistment of young Irishmen into the armed forces of the British Crown, and to pledge their undivided allegiance to the established Republic as proclaimed in 1916.

THE PLEBISCITE

Mrs. Buckley, speaking as president of Sinn Fein, said that they had called the meeting to repudiate, with all their strength, that they had any association whatsoever with the "bogus Constitution" which was being put forward and broadcast to the world as the will and enactment of the Irish people. The Constitution claimed control of only twenty-six of the thirty-two counties of Ireland, and, even in the twenty-six counties the votes registered at the plebiscite in its favour represented only thirty-nine per cent. of the electorate. The other sixty-nine per cent. either voted against it, spoiled their votes, or did not vote at all. It was a bogus instrument that was being given out to the world on the radio as representing the majority of opinion in the twenty-six counties.

The Republic, she said, has been broken by English guns and Irish renegades, but it is not dead yet. Well did Mr. de Valera and his Government know that the Government was alive, and that it was the legal Government of this country.

1921 TREATY UNCHANGED

Mr. Peadar MacAndrew referred to the Constitution as "the farce which took place to-day." Not one iota of the 1921 Treaty had been changed. It remained under its disguise the same as it was when signed by the "five renegades in London."

"Mr. de Valera and his party," he declared, "have done more damage to the Irish Republic than 'Billy' Cosgrave ever did. They have added two more martyrs to the list, and I have no doubt that there will be more of them. Mr. de Valera has announced openly that he is going to create machinery to deal with us. Craigavon and he have the same aim of downing the Government of the Irish Republic, and of preventing it from functioning as the legal Government of Ireland, which it is. De Valera is the greatest 'bluffer' in Ireland to-day, and let us hope that the time will soon come when the British Empire and world will call his bluff.

"It is our duty as republicans," he added, "to see that there never will be peace in Ireland until we have the Republic."

Miss Mary O'Sullivan expressed protest against the Constitution on behalf of mBan na Phoblachta, and Mr. Liam Gilmore, Secretary of Sinn Fein, also spoke.

BANK OF IRELAND CLERKSHIPS.—Pupils of ROSSE COLLEGE, 65 Stephen's Green, Dublin, gained 23 appts. at the last 2 exams. Special Classes now working. —(Advt.)

CONSCRIPTION TO BREAK PARIS STRIKE

Drastic Move By The Government

WORKERS AND PLANT TO BE REQUISITIONED

FRANCE'S Popular Front Cabinet last night took drastic action to break the "unofficial" strike of 100,000 Parisian municipal workers, which has paralysed the city's passenger transport.

Meeting for three and a half hours it decided that, failing abandonment of the strike, it would treat as conscripts all workers needed for the carrying on of essential services.

Using the same weapon in 1910, the late M. Briand broke a week-old railway strike.

According to a statement issued after the Cabinet rose, the Ministers were unanimous that, in present circumstances, the Government must ensure the working of the public services.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Wednesday.

If the strike order is not repealed, the Government will decide on the requisition of plant and *personnel* in order that water, electricity, gas and other supplies may be ensured, and it is also revealed that the Government have taken steps for an immediate increase in the number of army lorries available for the transport of supplies.

SETTLEMENT HOPES

After to-night's Cabinet meeting M. Chautemps, accompanied by D. Dormoy (Minister of the Interior) and M. Paul Faure (Minister without portfolio), conferred with delegates of the French General Labour Confederation, which had earlier disavowed the strike.

M. Léon Blum, the Socialist Vice-Premier, also met the Confederation officials. Later, as he was leaving the Premier's office, where the meeting took place, M. Blum said that he had good hopes of an early settlement.

The action of the Government recalls the celebrated action of M. Briand, when, as Prime Minister, he fought the great French railway strike of October, 1910. The strike had lasted a week, and no trains had been run, and the whole industrial life of France was threatened when Briand decided to call up the railwaymen as reservists to the Colours and to place them on duty on the railways. By this move he turned the strikers into breakers of their own strike, and the return to work was immediate.

STRIKE UNOFFICIAL

Travellers had their first intimation of the strike in the early hours of to-day, when all-night omnibuses failed to appear as scheduled. During the morning pickets appeared at omnibus and underground stations explaining the situation to intending passengers.

Called at a few hours' notice last night by the Joint Committee of Public Service Unions, the strike was to-day disavowed by the French General Labour Confederation, by the Prime Minister, and by the Socialist Party's official organ.

In a statement to newspapermen, M. Chautemps, the Prime Minister, said: "In no case will the Government admit an interruption of services essential to the life of the nation. The strike was launched on conditions which leave no doubt as to the intentins of its authors."

The strikers are claiming a wage increase f 50 francs (7s.) a month, but the Government refused to discuss terms until the strike is called off. A delegation of strikers went to the Hotel Matignon, the Premier's residence but was not received.

The Socialist newspaper, *Le Populaire*, denouncing the unions' action as "fantastic," says: "We fear that a strike launched in these conditions will not be found justified in the eyes of the populations, and risks injuring the entire trade union movement."

WORKERS' DEMANDS

The conflict arises from a claim by the municipal workers to be treated on the same footing as civil servants, who have been granted an increase during the present year, State employés having received two wage increases totalling 2,400 francs.

In January the Paris City Council gave the workers an increase of 1,800 francs, and on Monday last a further increase of 600 francs, arguing that this would bring them level with the civil servants. But the municipal workers contend that they will not have parity of treatment unless the increase is 1,200 francs, the same as the second increase for civil servants.

Mobile guards—a special public order force armed with carbines—were posted near the principal omnibus dépôts and at other points in the city all day.

BREST, Wednesday.

About 100 naval officers and men who have specialised in engineering and electricity, left Brest for Paris to-night to help in keeping the Paris public services running.—(Reuter.)

MAY RETURN TO WORK

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Wednesday Night.

During a suspension of a meeting of the Administrative Commission of the General Labour Confederation to-night members of the Public Services Syndicate who had been present returned to report to the Syndicate's delegates.

There appears to be a possibility that the strikers may go back to work without delay on the Confederation's recommendations. The Chautemps Government must first, however, promise to support their claims for the rise the workers want before the General Seine Council.

WIRELESS STATION FOR CLIFDEN

TO AID SHIPPING AND AIRCRAFT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CLIFDEN, Wednesday.

It is learned that the work will begin in April on a £65,000 scheme for improvements to Slyne Head Lighthouse. A new lighting system will be installed, with a power up to two million candles. The lighthouse will also be equipped with a high-power wireless transmitting station by which shipping will be warned in fog. I was informed that light as a means of warning shipping is fast becoming obsolete, and the proposed new light is more for convenience of aircraft than shipping. By means of the new wireless transmitter shipping will be advised of its course for one hundred miles off the West Coast of Ireland.

It was also learned that the Post Office authorities propose to erect a wireless transmitting station on the site of the old Marconi Station at Aillebrack, Connemara.

The proposed station is said to be for the purpose of directing trans-Atlantic aircraft.

THE FIGHT FOR TERUEL

CONFLICTING CLAIMS

While there are conflicting reports from the two sides as to the actual position at Teruel, the latest news indicates that stubborn fighting continues, says a Reuter message.

Following the capture of the seminary, announced in a Barcelona *communiqué* quoted by Reuter, Government sources claim that the adjacent Santa Clara Convent, to which, they say, the insurgent forces have retired, is now on fire, and the early capture of the Civil Government building, the other insurgent stronghold, is predicted.

Against this a Salamanca *communiqué* received by Reuter claims that the defenders, although outnumbered, are keeping the Government forces at bay from new and more effective defensive positions just within the town's boundaries to which they have retired in order to facilitate their resistance. All attempts by the Government forces to advance further have been checked, it is contended. The *communiqué* also reports that the defenders are receiving powerful assistance from the insurgent Air Force, and that the Government lines of communication have been heavily bombarded by artillery.

It also speaks of the terrific bombardment to which Teruel has been subjected by the Government batteries, but claims that, notwithstanding this, the garrison remains unconquered.

It was stated yesterday, on behalf of the United Glass Bottle Manufacturers, Ltd., that the accident to their plant at St. Helens, Lancs., has not resulted in serious stoppage, and that the plant has resumed full normal operation.

NEW SEAPLANE RECORD

ITALIAN'S 4,427-MILE NON-STOP FLIGHT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BAHIA (BRAZIL), Wednesday.

Mario Stoppani, the Italian "air ace," accompanied by two companions, to-day established a new long-distance record for seaplanes.

Flying a three-engined Savoia Marchetti machine, they landed at Caravellas (Brazil) at 3.04 p.m. to-day from Cadiz (Spain), after covering 4,427 miles across the South Atlantic.

The previous record was set up two months ago by the 37-ton French flying-boat, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, Paris, which covered about 3,607 miles from Kenitra (Morocco) to Maceoi (Brazil).

Stoppani's flight took 26 hours 24 minutes, as compared with the time of nearly 36 hours taken by the Lieutenant de Vaisseau.

Although the airmen have established a new long-distance seaplane record, they have failed to beat the world long-distance record for a flight in a straight line of 6,700 miles, which was stated to be their objective. This record is held by the Soviet airmen who flew from Moscow to California via the North Pole.

THREE MORE TYPHOID CASES

ANTRIM HOSPITAL OUTBREAK

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Wednesday.

Three more cases of mild paratyphoid fever have been notified at Antrim Mental Hospital, bringing the total to sixteen. The three new cases are women patients.

The search for the "carrier" responsible for the outbreak still goes on. Professor Wilson, of Queen's University, Belfast, is in charge of the bacteriological department. Blood tests will be continued until the "carrier" is found.

One of Tuesday's victims was a female nurse.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR LEAVES SPAIN

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, Wednesday.

Sir Henry Chilton, the British Ambassador to Spain, accompanied by Lady Chilton and Miss Chilton, left St. Jean de Luz by express for Paris to-night, thus closing another chapter in the history of the Spanish civil war.

Sir Henry's departure on leave may be said to register a landmark in the relations between Great Britain and the Government of Spain on the one hand, and the Government of General Franco on the other.

Mr. Dupree, Attaché of the British Embassy, will proceed to Salamanca to-morrow, and Mr. H. Thompson, First Secretary, in the course of a few days.

It is understood that the administrative offices of the Government at Salamanca will be gradually transferred to San Sebastian.—Press Association.

AN INEXORABLE ADVANCE

NEW JAPANESE THREATS

AN ULTIMATUM TO SHANSI GOVERNOR

FOREIGNERS EVACUATING TSINGTAO

A FRESH Japanese offensive in Shansi province, North-West China, is foreshadowed by leaflets dropped over the towns of Southern Shansi to-day by Japanese aeroplanes, says a Press Association message from Shanghai yesterday.

The leaflets contain an ultimatum to Marshal Yen Hsi-Shan, who has been Governor of Shansi for the past 25 years, giving him till midnight to-morrow to sever relations with General Chiang Kai-Shek's régime and co-operate with the Japanese. The Japanese Army threaten to take immediate drastic steps to exterminate Marshal Yen and his troops if he refuses, but promise to treat him with all consideration if he agrees.

FOREIGNERS LEAVING

Meanwhile, Japanese troops, says a Press Association Special Correspondent, are driving down the railway from Tsinanfu, capital of Shantung Province, towards the Port of Tsingtao. Heavy fighting is going on as they try to dislodge the Chinese defending the walls of Weihsien, 75 miles from Tsingtao.

Twenty-six more Americans left Tsingtao in the morning by a merchant vessel, leaving 159 in Tsingtao itself and 13 others in the Tsingtao consular district.

Tsingtao City was rocked by explosions in the early hours of the morning as Chinese blew up cable-heads connecting Tsingtao with Shanghai, Chefoo and Sasebo. Telegraph and wireless offices were also destroyed.

Four British steamers crowded with refugees have left for Shanghai, and many foreign firms are evacuating their Chinese staffs, while all wealthy Chinese are hurriedly leaving.

A proclamation has been issued by the Mayor, urging inhabitants to evacuate the city as soon as possible, in order to avoid "unnecessary sacrifices."

British and American residents in Kiukiang—the next big town on the Yangtse below Hankow—and Juling have been advised by their Consuls to leave, for fear of war spreading to these places. They are, accordingly, going to Hankow.

The Hangchow power plant was blown up two days before Christmas by a party of Chinese officers and men before they left the town.

PEIPING GOVERNMENT

PEIPING, Wednesday.

The "utmost support" of the Japanese Army was (says a Press Association message) promised to the Chinese Provisional Government set up here under Japanese protection in an interview given to-day by General Kita, chief political officer of the army in North China.

General Kita said that such support would be given "as long as the Provisional Government followed the principles announced at its inauguration." It was a provisional affair, he continued, but he expected that a fundamental Government would emerge from it in due time. The Japanese Army would not interfere with it, and there would be no Japanese advisers.

84,000 REPORTED KILLED

SHANGHAI, Wednesday.

Eighty-four thousand Chinese troops were killed and an unknown number, believed to be great, were wounded in the defence of Nanking, according to a *communiqué* issued from the Headquarters of General Matsui, the Japanese commander in Shanghai (says a Press Association message). The *communiqué* places the Japanese casualties in capturing the city as 800 killed and 4,000 wounded, and says that the Japanese forces took 10,500 prisoners and a large amount of war booty.

JAPAN'S FINANCIAL RESOURCES

"STRONGER THAN WAS EXPECTED"

TOKYO, Wednesday.

In a review of the Japanese financial situation, Mr. Toyotaro Yuki, Governor of the Bank of Japan, said to-day that six months of hostilities in China had shown that Japan's financial machinery had functioned very well, thanks to the fact that her economic and financial resources had been stronger than was expected, and to the solid co-operation of the whole nation.

The Governor predicted a brisk demand for capital owing to increased production capacity next year as a sequel to the present situation, but said that this would be amply met by the successful operation of the regulations dealing with emergency readjustments of capital funds. Military requirements would, he said, be given precedence in permitting imports, while exports would be encouraged with the object of maintaining them, at least at this year's level.

WALL STREET RECOVERY

SEQUEL TO NAVAL BUILDING PLAN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

President Roosevelt's hint of increased naval building served to drag the Stock market out of yesterday's depression, and, with spirited buying, all the leading issues advanced from one to three dollars.

As was to be expected, Steels and Aircraft led the advance, as these industries would be most immediately affected by an increase in naval construction.

Traders, however, were generally inclined to read into President Roosevelt's statement an indication that the Government might be resuming "pump-priming" activities in the shape of assistance to the heavy industries, with resulting all-round beneficial effects on industry.

The speech of Mr. Jackson, Assistant Attorney-General, warning "big business," caused indignation, but had little apparent effect.

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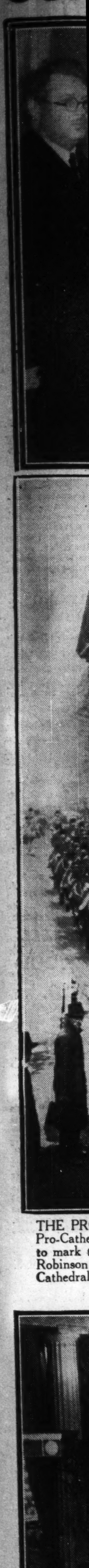

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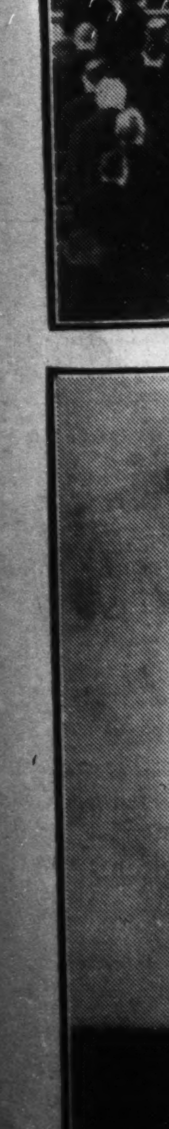

THE COUNTRY AND THE CONSTITUTION

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Minister for Justice, and the Chairman of Dail Eireann were seated before the altar rails on the left-hand side, and on the right was the Lord Mayor of Dublin (Alderman A. Byrne, C.D.).

THE CLERGY

The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. T. B. Condon, C.C., Pro-Cathedral; the Rev. T. Murphy and the Rev. P. Kinsella, Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, were deacon and sub-deacon, respectively, and the Rev. M. E. Murphy, Adm., was master of ceremonies.

The following priests of the Pro-Cathedral were also present:—The Rev. M. Boyland, C.C.; the Rev. J. P. Camac, C.C.; the Rev. P. O'Flynn, C.C.; the Rev. E. J. Gallen, C.C., and the Rev. F. Kenny, C.C.

Other clergy present were:—The Rev. J. McArdle, P.P., Fairview; the Rev. D. M. Collier, O.M.I., Superior, Oblate House, Inchicore; the Rev. Colman O'Driscoll, O.S.A., and the Rev. T. B. O'Flynn, O.S.A., John's Lane; the Rev. A. McKinley, P.P.; the Rev. T. Tobin, Lismore; the Rev. J. Farrell, Clonmel; the Rev. M. O'Farrell, the Rev. Dr. V. Dyer, Archdiocese of Bombay, India; the Rev. J. Bijvoet, S.J., Milltown Park; the Rev. Van Boizairt, Milltown Park; the Rev. G. Georges, S.J.; ditto; the Rev. J. Whelan, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. B. McMahon, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. P. McCambridge, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. J. Carter, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. J. Shephard, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. D. O'Callaghan, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. J. Ryan, C.S.Sp.; the Rev. F. O'Connor, O.M.I., St. Teresa's, Liverpool; the Rev. P. A. Blood, Cabra; the Rev. P. Collins, S.C.; the Rev. P. Breen, S.C.

THE ATTENDANCE

Members of the Government present were:—Mr. E. de Valera, Mr. P. J. Ruttledge, Minister for Justice; Mr. Sean MacEntee, Minister for Finance; Dr. J. Ryan, Minister for Agriculture; Mr. Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce; Mr. T. Derrig, Minister for Education; Mr. F. Aiken, Minister for Defence; Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Lands; Mr. O. Traynor, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs.

Others present included:—Mr. Frank Fahy, Chairman of Dail Eireann; Mr. P. Lynch, Attorney-General; Mr. P. J. Little, Parliamentary Secretary to Mr. de Valera; Mr. Sean O'Grady, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Lands; Chief Justice Sullivan, Mr. Justice Conor Maguire, President of the High Court; Mr. Justice Murnaghan, Mr. Justice J. Geoghegan, Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy, Mr. Justice O'Byrne, Judge Davitt, Judge McElligott, Judge W. Gleeson, Judge Comyn, Judge Shannon, District Justices Conroy, Hannan, Lennon, McCarthy, Goff.

Major-General M. Brennan, Chief of Staff; Colonel Liam Hayes, Adjutant-General; Major-General Joseph Sweeney, G.O.C. Curragh Command; Major-General Hugo MacNeill, O.C. Military College; Colonel M. Costello, Deputy Chief of Staff; Colonel F. Bennett, Deputy Q.M.G.; Colonel McKenna, Director of Cavalry; Colonel M. Hogan, Major J. V. Joyce, Deputy Adjutant General; Colonel E. Broy, Commissioner, Civic Guard; Assistant Commissioners D. Woods and G. Brennan.

DEPUTIES AND OFFICIALS

Messrs. L. Walsh, C.D., Mayor of Drogheda; D. Allen, C.D.; Cormac Breathnach, C.D.; S. Moore, C.D.; P. Smith, C.D.; P. J. Fogarty, C.D.; T. Kelly, C.D.; J. P. Kelly, C.D.; T. Harris, C.D.; D. O'Rourke, C.D.; R. Walsh, C.D.; C. Lavery, S.C., C.D.; J. Esmonde, C.D.; T. Lawlor, C.D.; Dr. J. Hannigan, C.D.; G. McGowan, C.D.

Messrs. J. J. McElligott, Secretary to the Department of Finance; Sean Moynihan, Assistant Secretary, do.; S. Roche, Secretary to the Department of Justice; M. J. Kinnane, Assistant Secretary, do.; D. Twomey, Secretary, Department of Agriculture; M. A. Corrigan, Chief State Solicitor; G. McGrath, Comptroller and Auditor-General; J. Herlihy, Commissioner of Valuation; William O'Brien, Chairman, Revenue Commissioners; E. Carey, Revenue Commissioners; T. Cleary, do.; Professor J. B. Whelehan, Stationery Office; M. Moynihan, Secretary to the Government; M. McDunphy, Secretary to the President; Sean Leydon, Secretary to the Department of Industry and Commerce; Sean Murphy, Assistant Secretary, Department of External Affairs; J. J. Hearne, Legal Advisor, Department of External Affairs; T. A. Murphy, Secretary, Civil Service Commission; M. Christie, Examiner of Private Bills; E. C. Powell, Department of Justice; J. F. Duff, do.; D. Devlin, Department of External Affairs; Miss K. O'Connell, Private Secretary to Mr. de Valera; Shan O'Cuiv, Director, Information Bureau; P. P. O'Donohoe, Attorney-General's Office; A. Scully, Land Commission; Mr. J. G. Fottrell, Brazilian Consul; P. J. Hernon, Dublin City Manager; Mrs. Maud Walsh, T.C.; Miss M. Pearse, J. McDonnell, Establishment Office, Department of Posts and Telegraphs; Padraig O'Maille.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

SPECIAL PRAYER FOR IRELAND

The principal Service in connection with the Church of Ireland was held in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, at 10 a.m. It was a special Service of intercession for Ireland, conducted by the Dean, the Very Rev. D. F. R. Wilson, who, in calling on the congregation to pray for Ireland, used the words: "Let us pray for the Government of Ireland and for all those who are set in authority in this land, that all things being so ordered and settled by their endeavours upon the best and surest foundations, peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations."

The prayer which followed was:—"O God, from Whom all power is derived, Who, by Thy holy Apostles hast taught us to make prayers and intercessions for all men, we implore Thy blessing, more especially upon this our country, upon its Government, and its people.

"May Thy Holy Spirit direct and guide our rulers and all who are set in authority. Grant that they may govern in Thy faith and fear, striving to put down all evil and to encourage and support all that is good.

"Give Thy spirit of wisdom to those whose duty it is to make laws for us. Give them the understanding mind that they may know how great a work Thou hast given them to do, that gravely, soberly, and in the fear of God, they may always enact things that are just, wise and merciful, to the putting away of all wrong and oppression, and to the advancement of the true welfare of this people. O, God, save Ireland and bless it with Thy holy hand."

"Give peace in our time, O Lord. Preserve us and our Government from the evil spirit of pride and dissension, and teach us to serve and labour with all sincerity to preserve peace at home and abroad. Save us from all injustice and oppression, from selfish indifference to the needs of others.

"Help us to respond to the call of our country according to our several powers, and give us grace to fulfil our duties with sober diligence. Keep us from all uncharitableness in word or deed, and enable us by patient continuance in well-doing to glorify Thy Name."

The Service included the 138th Psalm, the Jubilate, which was sung to the setting of Stanford, and the old Irish hymn:

Lord, of Thy mercy, hear our cry
For this long-favoured land,
That now, as in the days gone by,
Her strength may be Thy hand.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Archbishop.

THE ATTENDANCE

Mr. de Valera was represented by Mr. David Robinson, and Mr. R. G. Leonard, K.C., represented the Attorney-General, Chairman of the Bar Council.

The Chapter of St. Patrick's Cathedral was represented by the Preceptor, Canon Drury; the Chancellor, the Rev. Dr. Luce; the Dean's Vicar, the Rev. J. L. Atkinson, and the Rev. Henry Savage.

Amongst those attending were Mr. Justice FitzGibbon and Mrs. FitzGibbon, Mr. Justice Meredith and Mrs. Meredith, the Warden of St. Columba's College and the Rev. W. J. Whittaker and the Rev. R. C. Madden (Clondalkin), Alderman E. Benson, C.D.; Mr. W. Warnock, Department of External Affairs; A. O Cadhain, Revenue Commissioners; Messrs. R. Craig and J. C. MacLean (Dublin Corporation); Commander and Mrs. B. T. Coote, Captain R. J. Hope, Messrs. R. N. Coote, R. W. Jameson, President, Insurance Institute of Ireland; Dr. E. H. Alton, S.F., T.C.D.; Dr. W. F. Trench, T.C.D.; Dr. Ella Webb, Mrs. Bowers, Miss T. J. Beere, Miss T. M. Berry, Mrs. Wilson, Miss M. Cunningham (Trinity Hall), Mrs. Meysey Turton, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Dorman, Miss Power Steele, Mrs. Denis Coote, Mrs. J. Richardson Lucan, San Francisco; Miss Fay Little, Mr. and Mrs. Esmonde W. Little; Mr. and Mrs. Brian Gwynn, Mr. G. B. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Poole, and Messrs. D. W. Bowen, J. J. Cunningham, London; David Hopkins, Ewart Grace, W. Power Steele, James Kitchen, F. M. Cathcart and F. J. Kearon.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

At the quarterly meeting of the St. Stephen's Green Circuit, held last night in the Methodist Centenary Church, the Rev. R. Lee Cole, M.A., B.D., Chairman of the Dublin District Synod, spoke sympathetically and hopefully of the new chapter of Irish history which is now opening in connection with the new Constitution. Prayer was specially offered on behalf of the Government of the new Ireland and the various responsible officers of State.

OTHER SERVICES

Services were also held in Christ Church Cathedral and in churches in the city and suburbs; and the Religious Society of Friends had a special meeting for worship at 6 Eustace street at 10 a.m.

Special prayers were recited in the Synagogues in connection with the Constitution. The Rev. A. Gudanski officiated at a special Jewish Service in the Synagogue in Adelaide road, and Rabbi E. Gavron, Acting Chief Rabbi of the Dublin Jewish community, recited a special prayer at the Synagogue in Lombard street.

DECLARATION IN DISTRICT COURT

Mr. Laurence Conroy, District Justice, made the declaration prescribed for District Justices under the new Constitution before business began yesterday in the Dublin District Court.

THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

FLAGS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Cork.—At 9.30 a.m. there was a parade of the various units in Collins Barracks, under Commandants Leamy and McAllister. The troops paraded in the barrack square, and at 9.30 the orderly officer of the day, Captain McManus, hoisted the Tricolour and the Reveille was sounded. The troops then presented arms standing to attention. At 9.40 a firing party, composed of men of the 4th Battalion Regiment of Rifles, fired a *feu de joie*. At the conclusion of the first volley the No. 2 Army Band played two bars of the National Anthem, and the firing party then fired a second volley. This was also followed by the playing of the next two bars of the Anthem, and at the conclusion of a third volley the remaining portion of the Anthem was played. Throughout this ceremony the assembled troops presented arms, and, in response to a command at the conclusion of the Anthem, they grounded arms and marched to the barrack chapel, where Mass was celebrated by the Rev. H. O'Neill, C.F.

An interesting fact in connection with the ceremony was that it commenced at 9.30 and concluded at 9.40, this ten minutes being the time during which the Constitution was being honoured by the firing of a salute of twenty-one guns at military headquarters in Dublin.

The tricolour was flown over public buildings in honour of the occasion.

Limerick.—Flags flew from all public buildings in Limerick. At the Sarsfield Barracks the troops, under Commandant Crean, paraded in the barrack square at 9.30 o'clock, and the garrison flag was hoisted to a fanfare of bugles. Following a march past a *feu-de-joie* was fired, and the parade was dismissed. There was a rush to the General Post Office in the morning, where huge quantities of the new Constitution stamps were sold.

Waterford.—Constitution Day in Waterford did not evoke any demonstration during daylight hours. Arrangements were made late in the afternoon to organise a procession through the streets by the Fianna Fail brass band. The national flag was flown on public buildings and Guards' barrack, and here and there in the windows of about a dozen private houses. No Services were held in the city churches, and in general conversation the Constitution received only casual mention.

Galway.—At Renmore Barracks, the home of the First (Irish-speaking) Battalion of the army, the troops paraded at 9.30 a.m. The tricolour was hoisted, and there was a general salute and three volleys were fired. Captain Coley was in charge of the parade. All the troops attended Mass in the little church attached to the barrack at 10 o'clock.

During the day some of the Government offices in the city were closed, and the tricolour floated over a number of public buildings and from the windows of some private houses.

Athlone.—At the hoisting of the flag in the military barracks, which was performed by Captain M. J. Buckley, O.C., the "*Reveille*" was sounded and a "*feu-de-joie*" fired. The No. 4 Army Band played the National Anthem. Captain M. Murphy was in charge of the firing party, and the main body of troops were under Captain P. J. Butler. National flags were displayed in the town.

Tipperary.—In Tipperary Town, beyond the closing of the banks and solicitors' offices, business proceeded as usual. The tricolour was flown from the Civic Guard barrack and several private residences. At night a bonfire blazed on hills overlooking the town.

Ennis.—Constitution Day was marked in Ennis by speeches of welcome delivered at a special meeting of the Ennis Urban Council and by public addresses delivered from the steps of the County Courthouse by men prominent in the public life of Clare. The national flag was hoisted over both buildings at the conclusion of the addresses, and the general salute was sounded by a bugler. Flags flew from all public buildings, including the Civic Guard barrack and a number of private houses.

Longford.—In Longford the national flag was flown from public buildings and a number of houses in the town.

Bantry.—Flags were flown from many houses, patriotic mottoes spanned the principal street, and the tricolour was hoisted at the Civic Guard barrack. Tar barrels were lighted during the evening, around which large crowds gathered and sang patriotic songs and cheered the Constitution.

Letterkenny.—District Justice Louis J. Walsh at Letterkenny made his declaration of service and fidelity to the new Constitution in the presence of an interested audience. All Government buildings and some merchants' premises flew the national flag.

Clonmel.—Following a torchlight procession the people of Clonmel, at a large public meeting, congratulated President de Valera on the inauguration of the new Constitution, to which they pledged their loyalty. They further pledged themselves to support by all means in their power every effort made to achieve territorial unity of Eire. Councillor E. V. White, Mayor (Fine Gael), who presided, said that the Constitution established a new era in the country, which he sincerely hoped would bring happiness and prosperity to all its citizens. He endorsed President de Valera's broadcast appeal for a spirit of good-will and toleration, which would help towards the country's advancement. Councillor James Taylor (Fianna Fail) said that that day Eire had risen in her full strength and taken her place among the nations of the earth. Councillor J. Fennessy (Fianna Fail) also spoke.

Mallow.—At Mallow the tricolour was flown from the windows of hotels, shops and dwellinghouses. A huge flag was displayed at the Guards' barrack, and in the centre of the town flags were flown from the roof of the Town Hall. Large numbers went from Mallow and the surrounding districts at night to a celebration and public meeting in Kanturk, addressed by Mr. Sean Moylan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry and Commerce.

Kells.—The tricolour was hoisted over the Town Hall and Courthouse, and at night a huge bonfire was lighted, amid the cheers of a large crowd, on the Fair Green, where they were addressed by Mr. M. O'Reilly, C.D. The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

KILKENNY.—Last night there was a procession, composed of a pipers' band, Fianna Boy Scouts, members of Fianna Fail, Kilkenny Brigade of the old I.R.A., and members of the Corporation, and subsequently a largely attended meeting was held at The Parade, at which Alderman McSweeney presided, and speeches were made by Sean Gibbons, ex-T.D.; ex-Senator Quirke, Alderman Bryan and Mr. John J. Dunne.

OPINION IN THE NORTH

"ACCENTUATES CLEAVAGE WITH THE SOUTH"

The views of Ulster Unionists on the new Constitution will be made known officially in the report of the Ulster Unionist Council at its annual meeting in three weeks' time. The draft report is to be considered by the Standing Committee of the Council on the 6th January.

It is understood that emphasis will be placed on the determination of Ulster Unionists that Northern Ireland will retain its present status as an integral part of the "United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland," and any proposal for government by an all-Ireland Parliament in Dublin will be emphatically repudiated. In this the Unionist Council will express the view, not only of official Unionists, but also the Independent Unionists, who in a "Twelve Point Programme" have already declared that their policy is to "maintain and consolidate the present status of Northern Ireland as a self-governing unit in the United Kingdom, and to oppose any change of this status, which would incorporate Northern Ireland or place it under the Free State Government."

PLATFORM PROPAGANDA

Notwithstanding this declaration, Mr. de Valera's new Constitution, it is expected, will be good platform propaganda for Lord Craigavon when he launches the election campaign in Northern Ireland in the course of the next few months. It will be used to the utmost by the official Unionist candidates to "stiffen waverers" and induce them to vote for the official candidates rather than for the "Independent Unionists." The ordinary man-in-the-street, however, pays little attention to the new Constitution, and the calm assumption of the name of "Eire," or "Ireland," as the new description of the twenty-six counties only causes amusement.

The ordinary voter in the North is more concerned with improving the unemployment situation, revising revaluation, which presses heavily on various sections of the community, and also revising the Transport Act, which, it is asserted, is putting up the cost of goods to farmers and traders. The ordinary Unionist in the North holds the opinion that the new Constitution widens the breach between North and South.

NEWSPAPER COMMENT

The *Belfast Telegraph* to-night states:—"This new 'charter of nationhood,' as the 1937 Constitution is lauded to be, so far from being an instrument to achieve the unity of Ireland, serves to accentuate the cleavage between the two Irelands. And in its own area it makes for the restriction rather than the enlargement of freedom.

"'Independence' Day is being celebrated as a great triumph for Mr. de Valera, but even the Taoiseach himself must have misgivings. No Constitution was ever foisted upon any people on the strength of a majority of nine per cent. of its people. From the point of view of precedent, the new Constitution is unconstitutional. The outcome of the plebiscite could not have been otherwise than disappointing to the man whose hopes were most centred in it. 685,105 votes were cast in its favour and 526,945 against, a majority of only 158,160 out of a total electorate of 1,771,147. In the United States, to which Mr. de Valera turns so readily for sympathy and support, there must be a two-thirds majority before any constitutional change can be introduced. Other countries could be cited where there can be no tampering with the Constitution save with the approval of a very substantial majority. There is no such sanction here, and had it been feasible to sound the mind of the thirty-two counties on the issue, there would have been no endorsement of this new instrument in the land which its author claims to be one and indivisible."

ENGLISH COMMENT

NEWSPAPERS SATISFIED

In a leading article the *Daily Mail* says:—Downing Street has wisely lost no time in clarifying the situation resulting from the adoption of a new Constitution for what was until yesterday the Irish Free State. The official announcement issued last night makes it clear that in the view of both Governments the position of Southern Ireland in the Empire remains fundamentally unaltered. It is a welcome statement. The people in this island entertain the friendliest feelings for the kindred people across the Irish Channel, and wish them well in the course they have chosen. That they prefer the name "Eire" or "Ireland" to "Free State" will make no difference to the existing good-will. It is a matter for them alone, since, as the Government's message points out, Northern Ireland, who desires to strengthen her close ties with the United Kingdom, is not affected by anything in the Constitution of Eire.

The *News Chronicle* says:—If the Irish Free State wishes in future to be known as Eire, so be it! What's in a name? It would be foolish to kick up a great fuss on this side of the Irish Sea because Eire means Ireland.

Tuesday's issue of *The Times* was confiscated at Frankfurt-on-Main to-day, presumably on account of the Pope's Christmas Eve address, in which he spoke of "grievous persecutions of the Church in Germany."

At Belfast Summons Court yesterday, Robert Wylie, Kimberley street, was fined £3, with 26s. extra costs, for driving in a manner dangerous to the public, and 5s. in respect of not having a driver's licence in force.

"ULSTER WILL NOT GIVE IN"

STATEMENT BY SIR EDWARD ARCHDALE

STRENGTH IN RANKS OF UNIONISTS

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ENNISKILLEN, Wednesday.

MR. DE VALERA will be a bit disappointed, for there is not the remotest possibility of Ulster giving in and letting that gentleman have his own say and his swing over us, said Sir Edward Archdale, Bart., M.P., at a large Orange reunion at Kesh.

Sir Edward recalled that it was in 1898 he first came to Kesh to receive their support for Parliament, for which he had always been very grateful. He said that de Valera was having tremendous functions in the Free State over the new Constitution, saying that when he became President of Eire he would stagger along for a bit and then the whole of Ireland would be under his sway. He then made the statement quoted, and, dealing with the efforts in the Free State to establish the use of the Irish language, said that, out of fifty-two members in the Dail, only thirteen could speak in Irish. He said that the children would have to learn English because it was to England they had to turn for permanent employment. Sir Edward quoted many figures to prove the increased prosperity in Ulster's agricultural industry, and, in conclusion, appealed for unity in the forthcoming election.

Sir Basil Brooke, Bart., M.P., made a strong appeal for the avoidance of a split in the Unionist Party in view of the forthcoming election. Having dealt with the tactics which the Opposition never failed to use, he said that the danger to be faced at present was one from within, but he believed that the people would remain firm and steadfast, as they had done in the past.

The Rev. Canon Stack and Mr. Gamble, M.P., paid high tribute to Sir Edward Archdale's services on behalf of the Orange and Unionist cause of Ulster.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END

MINISTER ON THE NEW CONSTITUTION

Speaking at a public meeting, held in the Thomas O'Clery Hall, Fairview, Dublin, last night, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, Mr. Oscar Traynor, said that the old Constitution was bad and deserved to be forgotten. It left them as a discredited document which had had to be amended twenty-seven times in fourteen years, and it had had to receive the force of law from the British legislature. The new Constitution was designed to meet the needs of the people and to make the nation as distinctive and as clearly cut as France was from Germany, and these things would be accomplished without the loss of the goodwill of any nation that desired to be on terms of friendship with our people.

The Minister dealt in detail with the powers conferred on the new President by the Constitution, and said that the attempt to prove that those powers were dictatorial was a complete fiasco and was abandoned for the cry of "hands off women's rights."

Throughout the new Constitution women had got equal rights with men, and the attack was based, in the first instance, on the omission of the words "without distinction of sex." These had been omitted because no distinction was made as far as political rights were concerned. There was no suggestion of preventing women from entering any business for which they showed suitability or special aptitude.

He was not suggesting that the Constitution was the completion of the task for which generations of the people had fought and suffered, but he felt that it was the beginning of the end of that task.

Mr. G. Boland, Minister for Lands and Fisheries, also spoke.

SINN FEIN AND THE CONSTITUTION

SPEECHES AT A DUBLIN MEETING

Sinn Fein held a vigorous meeting in Cathal Brugha street, Dublin, last night, to protest against what was described as "the bogus Constitution of Ireland." Mrs. Margaret Buckley, president of the organisation, presided.

Except for one or two mild interruptions the meeting was without incident, and the large patrols of Civic Guards who were on special duty for the occasion, spent the evening quietly as members of the audience.

Resolutions were passed calling on the citizens of Dublin to condemn the "bogus Constitution of Ireland" as being subversive of the Republic and aiming at the perpetuation of partition; to pledge themselves to combine against the enlistment of young Irishmen into the armed forces of the British Crown, and to pledge their undivided allegiance to the established Republic as proclaimed in 1916.

THE PLEBISCITE

Mrs. Buckley, speaking as president of Sinn Feinn, said that they had called the meeting to repudiate, with all their strength, that they had any association whatsoever with the "bogus Constitution" which was being put forward and broadcast to the world as the will and enactment of the Irish people. The Constitution claimed control of only twenty-six of the thirty-two counties of Ireland, and, even in the twenty-six counties the votes registered at the plebiscite in its favour represented only thirty-nine per cent. of the electorate. The other sixty-nine per cent. either voted against it, spoiled their votes, or did not vote at all. It was a bogus instrument that was being given out to the world on the radio as representing the majority of opinion in the twenty-six counties.

The Republic, she said, has been broken by English guns and Irish renegades, but it is not dead yet. Well did Mr. de Valera and his Government know that the Government was alive, and that it was the legal Government of this country.

1921 TREATY UNCHANGED

Mr. Peadar MacAndrew referred to the Constitution as "the farce which took place to-day." Not one iota of the 1921 Treaty had been changed. It remained under its disguise the same as it was when signed by the "five renegades in London."

"Mr. de Valera and his party," he declared, "have done more damage to the Irish Republic than 'Billy' Cosgrave ever did. They have added two more martyrs to the list, and I have no doubt that there will be more of them. Mr. de Valera has announced openly that he is going to create machinery to deal with us. Craigavon and he have the same aim of downing the Government of the Irish Republic, and of preventing it from functioning as the legal Government of Ireland, which it is. De Valera is the greatest 'bluffer' in Ireland to-day, and let us hope that the time will soon come when the British Empire and world will call his bluff.

"It is our duty as republicans," he added, "to see that there never will be peace in Ireland until we have the Republic."

Miss Mary O'Sullivan expressed protest against the Constitution on behalf of mBan na Phoblachta, and Mr. Liam Gilmore, Secretary of Sinn Fein, also spoke.

BANK OF IRELAND CLERKSHIPS.
Pupils of ROSSE COLLEGE, 65 Stephen's Green, Dublin, gained 23 appts. at the last 2 exams. Special Classes now working. —(Advt.)

CONSCRIPTION TO BREAK PARIS STRIKE

Drastic Move By The Government

WORKERS AND PLANT TO BE REQUISITIONED

FRANCE'S Popular Front Cabinet last night took drastic action to break the "unofficial" strike of 100,000 Parisian municipal workers, which has paralysed the city's passenger transport.

Meeting for three and a half hours it decided that, failing abandonment of the strike, it would treat as conscripts all workers needed for the carrying on of essential services.

Using the same weapon in 1910, the late M. Briand broke a week-old railway strike.

According to a statement issued after the Cabinet rose, the Ministers were unanimous that, in present circumstances, the Government must ensure the working of the public services.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Wednesday.

If the strike order is not repealed, the Government will decide on the requisition of plant and *personnel* in order that water, electricity, gas and other supplies may be ensured, and it is also revealed that the Government have taken steps for an immediate increase in the number of army lorries available for the transport of supplies.

SETTLEMENT HOPES

After to-night's Cabinet meeting M. Chautemps, accompanied by D. Dormoy (Minister of the Interior) and M. Paul Faure (Minister without portfolio), conferred with delegates of the French General Labour Confederation, which had earlier disavowed the strike.

M. Léon Blum, the Socialist Vice-Premier, also met the Confederation officials. Later, as he was leaving the Premier's office, where the meeting took place, M. Blum said that he had good hopes of an early settlement.

The action of the Government recalls the celebrated action of M. Briand, when, as Prime Minister, he fought the great French railway strike of October, 1910. The strike had lasted a week, and no trains had been run, and the whole industrial life of France was threatened when Briand decided to call up the railwaymen as reservists to the Colours and to place them on duty on the railways. By this move he turned the strikers into breakers of their own strike, and the return to work was immediate.

STRIKE UNOFFICIAL

Travellers had their first intimation of the strike in the early hours of to-day, when all-night omnibuses failed to appear as scheduled. During the morning pickets appeared at omnibus and underground stations explaining the situation to intending passengers.

Called at a few hours' notice last night by the Joint Committee of Public Service Unions, the strike was to-day disavowed by the French General Labour Confederation, by the Prime Minister, and by the Socialist Party's official organ.

In a statement to newspapermen, M. Chautemps, the Prime Minister, said: "In no case will the Government admit an interruption of services essential to the life of the nation. The strike was launched on conditions which leave no doubt as to the intentins of its authors."

The strikers are claiming a wage increase f 50 francs (7s.) a month, but the Government refused to discuss terms until the strike is called off. A delegation of strikers went to the Hotel Matignon, the Premier's residence but was not received.

The Socialist newspaper, *Le Populaire*, denouncing the unions' action as "fantastic," says: "We fear that a strike launched in these conditions will not be found justified in the eyes of the populations, and risks injuring the entire trade union movement."

WORKERS' DEMANDS

The conflict arises from a claim by the municipal workers to be treated on the same footing as civil servants, who have been granted an increase during the present year, State employés having received two wage increases totalling 2,400 francs.

In January the Paris City Council gave the workers an increase of 1,800 francs, and on Monday last a further increase of 600 francs, arguing that this would bring them level with the civil servants. But the municipal workers contend that they will not have parity of treatment unless the increase is 1,200 francs, the same as the second increase for civil servants.

Mobile guards—a special public order force armed with carbines—were posted near the principal omnibus dépôts and at other points in the city all day.

BREST, Wednesday.

About 100 naval officers and men who have specialised in engineering and electricity, left Brest for Paris to-night to help in keeping the Paris public services running.—(Reuter.)

MAY RETURN TO WORK

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Wednesday Night.

During a suspension of a meeting of the Administrative Commission of the General Labour Confederation to-night members of the Public Services Syndicate who had been present returned to report to the Syndicate's delegates.

There appears to be a possibility that the strikers may go back to work without delay on the Confederation's recommendations. The Chautemps Government must first, however, promise to support their claims for the rise the workers want before the General Seine Council.

WIRELESS STATION FOR CLIFDEN

TO AID SHIPPING AND AIRCRAFT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CLIFDEN, Wednesday.

It is learned that the work will begin in April on a £65,000 scheme for improvements to Slyne Head Lighthouse. A new lighting system will be installed, with a power up to two million candles. The lighthouse will also be equipped with a high-power wireless transmitting station by which shipping will be warned in fog. I was informed that light as a means of warning shipping is fast becoming obsolete, and the proposed new light is more for convenience of aircraft than shipping. By means of the new wireless transmitter shipping will be advised of its course for one hundred miles off the West Coast of Ireland.

It was also learned that the Post Office authorities propose to erect a wireless transmitting station on the site of the old Marconi Station at Aillebrack, Connemara.

The proposed station is said to be for the purpose of directing trans-Atlantic aircraft.

THE FIGHT FOR TERUEL

CONFLICTING CLAIMS

While there are conflicting reports from the two sides as to the actual position at Teruel, the latest news indicates that stubborn fighting continues, says a Reuter message.

Following the capture of the seminary, announced in a Barcelona *communiqué* quoted by Reuter, Government sources claim that the adjacent Santa Clara Convent, to which, they say, the insurgent forces have retired, is now on fire, and the early capture of the Civil Government building, the other insurgent stronghold, is predicted.

Against this a Salamanca *communiqué* received by Reuter claims that the defenders, although outnumbered, are keeping the Government forces at bay from new and more effective defensive positions just within the town's boundaries to which they have retired in order to facilitate their resistance. All attempts by the Government forces to advance further have been checked, it is contended. The *communiqué* also reports that the defenders are receiving powerful assistance from the insurgent Air Force, and that the Government lines of communication have been heavily bombarded by artillery.

It also speaks of the terrific bombardment to which Teruel has been subjected by the Government batteries, but claims that, notwithstanding this, the garrison remains unconquered.

It was stated yesterday, on behalf of the United Glass Bottle Manufacturers, Ltd., that the accident to their plant at St. Helens, Lancs., has not resulted in serious stoppage, and that the plant has resumed full normal operation.

NEW SEAPLANE RECORD

ITALIAN'S 4,427-MILE NON-STOP FLIGHT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BAHIA (BRAZIL), Wednesday.

Mario Stoppani, the Italian "air ace," accompanied by two companions, to-day established a new long-distance record for seaplanes.

Flying a three-engined Savoia Marchetti machine, they landed at Caravellas (Brazil) at 3.04 p.m. to-day from Cadiz (Spain), after covering 4,427 miles across the South Atlantic.

The previous record was set up two months ago by the 37-ton French flying-boat, Lieutenant de Vaisseau, Paris, which covered about 3,607 miles from Kenitra (Morocco) to Maceoi (Brazil).

Stoppani's flight took 26 hours 24 minutes, as compared with the time of nearly 36 hours taken by the Lieutenant de Vaisseau.

Although the airmen have established a new long-distance seaplane record, they have failed to beat the world long-distance record for a flight in a straight line of 6,700 miles, which was stated to be their objective. This record is held by the Soviet airmen who flew from Moscow to California via the North Pole.

THREE MORE TYPHOID CASES

ANTRIM HOSPITAL OUTBREAK

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Wednesday.

Three more cases of mild paratyphoid fever have been notified at Antrim Mental Hospital, bringing the total to sixteen. The three new cases are women patients.

The search for the "carrier" responsible for the outbreak still goes on. Professor Wilson, of Queen's University, Belfast, is in charge of the bacteriological department. Blood tests will be continued until the "carrier" is found.

One of Tuesday's victims was a female nurse.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR LEAVES SPAIN

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, Wednesday.

Sir Henry Chilton, the British Ambassador to Spain, accompanied by Lady Chilton and Miss Chilton, left St. Jean de Luz by express for Paris to-night, thus closing another chapter in the history of the Spanish civil war.

Sir Henry's departure on leave may be said to register a landmark in the relations between Great Britain and the Government of Spain on the one hand, and the Government of General Franco on the other.

Mr. Dupree, Attaché of the British Embassy, will proceed to Salamanca to-morrow, and Mr. H. Thompson, First Secretary, in the course of a few days.

It is understood that the administrative offices of the Government at Salamanca will be gradually transferred to San Sebastian.—Press Association.

AN INEXORABLE ADVANCE

NEW JAPANESE THREATS

AN ULTIMATUM TO SHANSI GOVERNOR

FOREIGNERS EVACUATING TSINGTAO

A FRESH Japanese offensive in Shansi province, North-West China, is foreshadowed by leaflets dropped over the towns of Southern Shansi to-day by Japanese aeroplanes, says a Press Association message from Shanghai yesterday.

The leaflets contain an ultimatum to Marshal Yen Hsi-Shan, who has been Governor of Shansi for the past 25 years, giving him till midnight to-morrow to sever relations with General Chiang Kai-Shek's régime and co-operate with the Japanese. The Japanese Army threaten to take immediate drastic steps to exterminate Marshal Yen and his troops if he refuses, but promise to treat him with all consideration if he agrees.

FOREIGNERS LEAVING

Meanwhile, Japanese troops, says a Press Association Special Correspondent, are driving down the railway from Tsinanfu, capital of Shantung Province, towards the Port of Tsingtao. Heavy fighting is going on as they try to dislodge the Chinese defending the walls of Weihsien, 75 miles from Tsingtao.

Twenty-six more Americans left Tsingtao in the morning by a merchant vessel, leaving 159 in Tsingtao itself and 13 others in the Tsingtao consular district.

Tsingtao City was rocked by explosions in the early hours of the morning as Chinese blew up cable-heads connecting Tsingtao with Shanghai, Chefoo and Sasebo. Telegraph and wireless offices were also destroyed.

Four British steamers crowded with refugees have left for Shanghai, and many foreign firms are evacuating their Chinese staffs, while all wealthy Chinese are hurriedly leaving.

A proclamation has been issued by the Mayor, urging inhabitants to evacuate the city as soon as possible, in order to avoid "unnecessary sacrifices."

British and American residents in Kiukiang—the next big town on the Yangtse below Hankow—and Juling have been advised by their Consuls to leave, for fear of war spreading to these places. They are, accordingly, going to Hankow.

The Hangchow power plant was blown up two days before Christmas by a party of Chinese officers and men before they left the town.

PEIPING GOVERNMENT

PEIPING, Wednesday.

The "utmost support" of the Japanese Army was (says a Press Association message) promised to the Chinese Provisional Government set up here under Japanese protection in an interview given to-day by General Kita, chief political officer of the army in North China.

General Kita said that such support would be given "as long as the Provisional Government followed the principles announced at its inauguration." It was a provisional affair, he continued, but he expected that a fundamental Government would emerge from it in due time. The Japanese Army would not interfere with it, and there would be no Japanese advisers.

84,000 REPORTED KILLED

SHANGHAI, Wednesday.

Eighty-four thousand Chinese troops were killed and an unknown number, believed to be great, were wounded in the defence of Nanking, according to a *communiqué* issued from the Headquarters of General Matsui, the Japanese commander in Shanghai (says a Press Association message). The *communiqué* places the Japanese casualties in capturing the city as 800 killed and 4,000 wounded, and says that the Japanese forces took 10,500 prisoners and a large amount of war booty.

JAPAN'S FINANCIAL RESOURCES

"STRONGER THAN WAS EXPECTED"

TOKYO, Wednesday.

In a review of the Japanese financial situation, Mr. Toyotaro Yuki, Governor of the Bank of Japan, said to-day that six months of hostilities in China had shown that Japan's financial machinery had functioned very well, thanks to the fact that her economic and financial resources had been stronger than was expected, and to the solid co-operation of the whole nation.

The Governor predicted a brisk demand for capital owing to increased production capacity next year as a sequel to the present situation, but said that this would be amply met by the successful operation of the regulations dealing with emergency readjustments of capital funds. Military requirements would, he said, be given precedence in permitting imports, while exports would be encouraged with the object of maintaining them, at least at this year's level.

WALL STREET RECOVERY

SEQUEL TO NAVAL BUILDING PLAN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Wednesday.

President Roosevelt's hint of increased naval building served to drag the Stock market out of yesterday's depression, and, with spirited buying, all the leading issues advanced from one to three dollars.

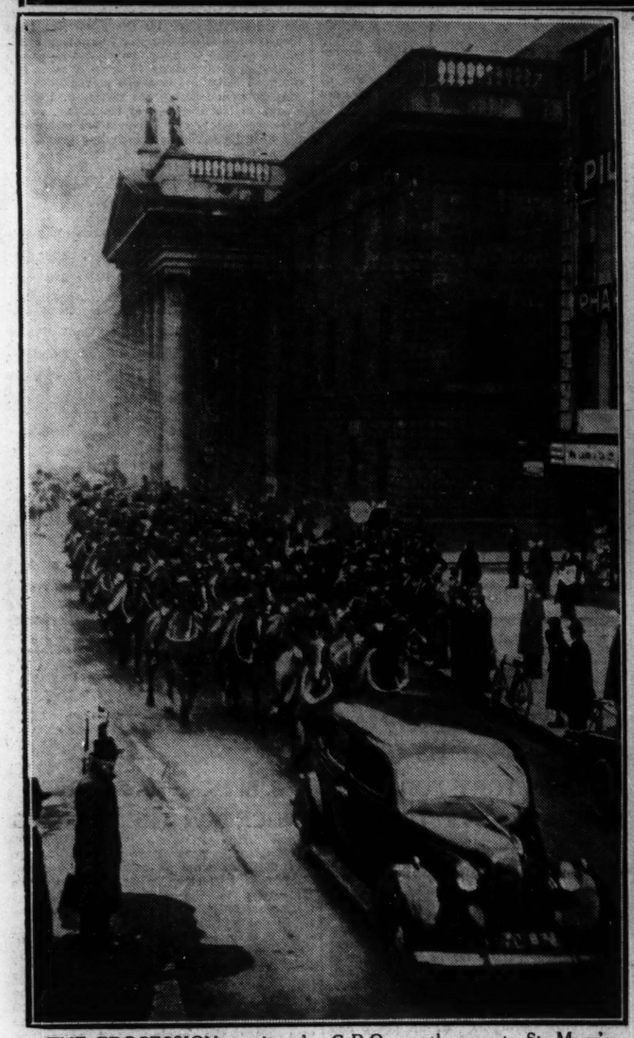
As was to be expected, Steels and Aircraft led the advance, as these industries would be most immediately affected by an increase in naval construction.

Traders, however, were generally inclined to read into President Roosevelt's statement an indication that the Government might be resuming "pump-priming" activities in the shape of assistance to the heavy industries, with resulting all-round beneficial effects on industry.

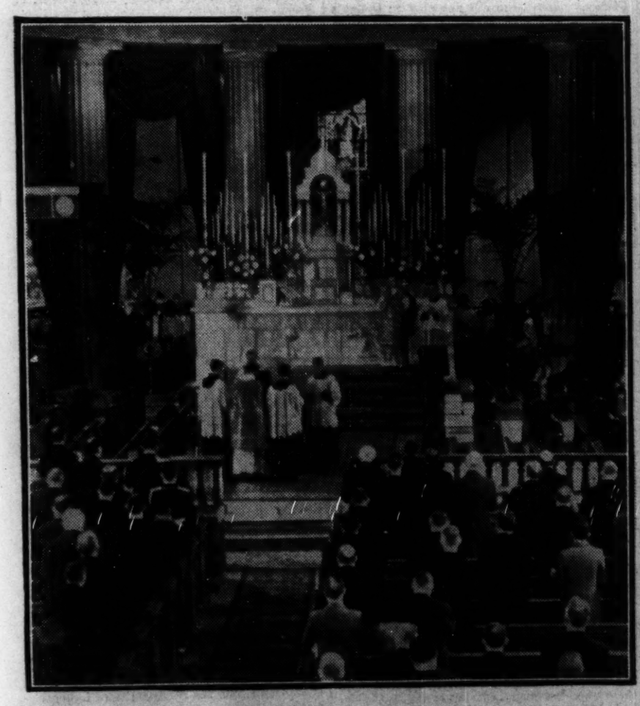
The speech of Mr. Jackson, Assistant Attorney-General, warning "big business," caused indignation, but had little apparent effect

CONSTITUTION DAY : YESTERDAY'S CEREMONIES

A GROUP taken at Government Buildings yesterday after the Chief Justice took the Oath under the new Constitution of Ireland. From left: Mr. T. Derrig (Minister for Education), Mr. Sean MacEntee (Minister for Finance), Mr. Sean Lemass (Minister for Industry and Commerce), the new Prime Minister, Mr. E. de Valera; Chief Justice Sullivan, Dr. J. Ryan (Minister for Agriculture), Mr. F. Fahy (Chairman of the Dail) Mr. P. J. Ruttledge (Minister for Justice), Mr. F. Aiken (Minister for Defence), and Mr. P. Lynch, K.C. (Attorney-General). Below (right): The Prime Minister, the Chief Justice and Mr. F. Fahy on the steps of Government Buildings after the ceremony.

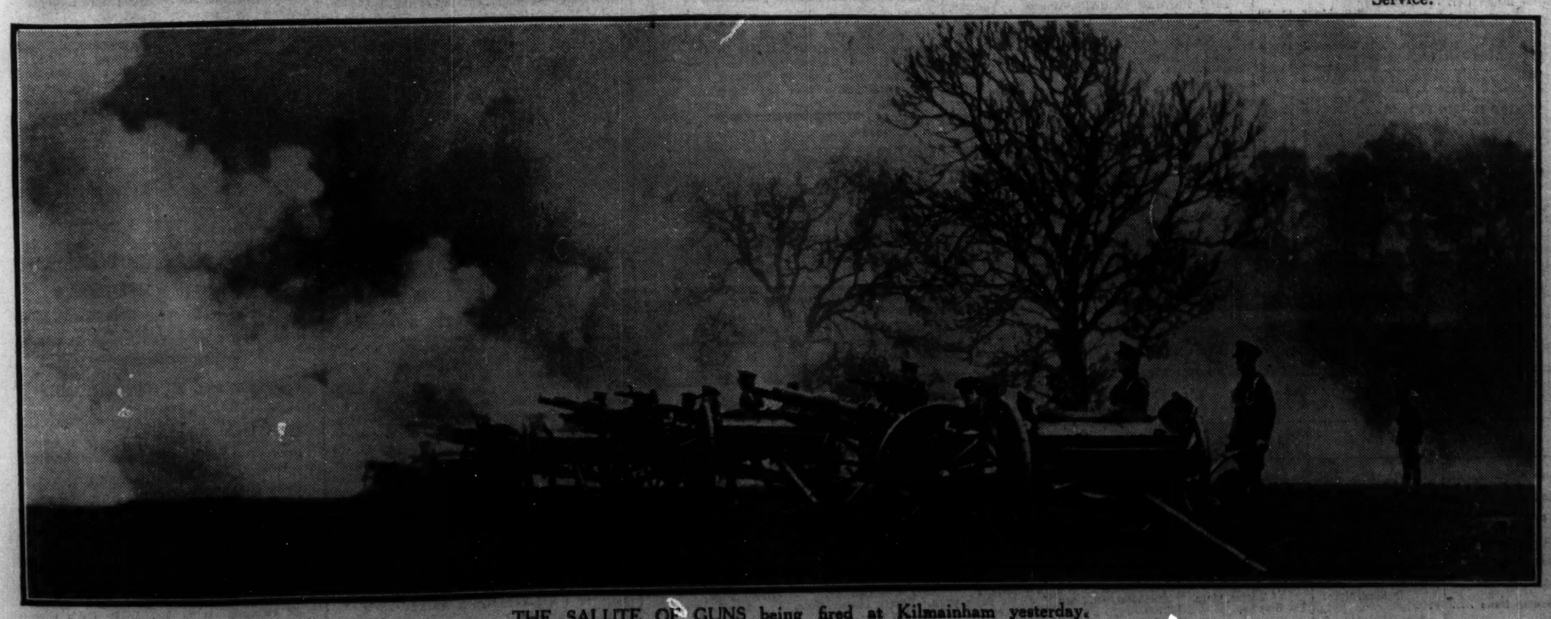


THE PROCESSION passing the G.P.O., on the way to St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street, for the celebration of Votive Mass to mark the inauguration of the new Constitution. Right: Mr. D. Robinson (who represented the Government) leaving St. Patrick's Cathedral after a Special Service. Below: The interior of the Pro-Cathedral during the Mass.



IN YESTERDAY'S PROCESSION. — Major-General Michael Brennan (Chief of Staff) and Colonel McKenna (Assistant Q.M.G.).

MR. R. BRISCOE, T.D., arriving at the Synagogue, Adelaide road, yesterday morning, to represent the Government at a special Jewish Service.



THE SALUTE OF GUNS being fired at Kilmainham yesterday.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

NEWBURY FANCIES

Stylish Display by Knight of Troy at Cheltenham

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Wednesday Night.

THE attendances at all the Christmas meetings have been most heartening to those concerned with their management. They may not have been the best ever, but they were certainly the best for many years. The number of good horses that are running at present under National Hunt Rules has been commented on more than once here, and in anything approaching good times good horses draw good crowds, given fine weather.

For the opening of the New Year meeting at Manchester on Saturday, the attendance at Castle Irwell to see Argental and Airgead Sios oppose each other in the Victory Steeplechase should be of altogether unusual proportions for a National Hunt meeting there. There should also be excellent crowds tomorrow and Friday at Newbury, for the card is an excellent one on each day.

The Novices' 'Chase

Victor Norman, having run and won at Kempton, though not exactly in the style of a potential champion steeplechaser, will be absent from the Reading Steeplechase tomorrow, but there are two smart four-year-olds, Sable Marten and War Vessel, that have already given earnest of their capacity. Each has 12st. 1lb. and has to give away a lot of weight in several cases to older horses. One of these is Fillip, who was fourth to Sable Marten when the latter won at Lingfield, and now meets him on 25lb. better terms at Hurst Park, when War Vessel was second, Fillip was third, beaten five lengths. Fillip now has a 23lb. advantage with the American horse. It looks, therefore, as if

FILLIP

has an excellent chance of beating both. His trainer, Peter Thrale, deserves a turn of luck, for in the two principal races at Kempton his Santayana and Red Eagle were beaten short-heads by Waylaid and Victor Norman, respectively.

Vote for Silver Lance

Silver Lance, possibly our best three-year-old hurdler—Honquam having slightly marred his reputation by falling at Kempton—will be the principal attraction in the Juvenile Hurdle, a race which has attracted the enormous entry of fifty-three, and is likely to produce a big field. Cultured Pearl is another that has won, and Le Petit Savoyard has a race to his credit in France. Kate Cosmo and Ashbrooke Lass have shown a little form, but the best is likely to be

SILVER LANCE.

Le Maestro, who dead-heated with Negro for the Didcot Hurdle last year, declines the engagement this time, and Prudent Achtoi is likely to wait for the Victory Hurdle at Manchester.

FLYING EAGLE

was a winner last time out, and seems the one with the best chance.

Qualified for "National"

The one-day meeting at Cheltenham in Christmas Week is a comparatively modest affair, but this afternoon's fixture drew crowds of runners, including twenty-five for the Long Distance Hurdle. Here the Irish horse, Up Sabre, who was second at Liverpool, had to be content with the same position again, Flying Mascot this time being too good for him.

Red Knight II by winning the Stayers' Handicap Steeplechase over four miles qualified to be entered for the Grand National. He is a hunter, and is trained at Blandford, Dorset. He fairly and squarely outstayed Tapinois up the sharp rise to the winning post. Tapinois has a little better speed than the average 'chaser and appeared likely to overhaul Red Knight II. at the last fence, but, running on with great gameness, the latter held on to his advantage in an interesting finish.

Red Freeman and Howrunow had a good race for third place, which went to the former. Blue Shirt, the favourite, was beaten some way out. Prominent Lad jumped boldly, but could not go the pace in the final stages.

Smart Performance

It cannot be gainsaid that Knight of Troy is entitled to take high rank among the younger brigade of 'chasers. He is a quick jumper, and, apart from one slight mistake on the far side, he fenced beautifully throughout, to give Fawcus an "arm-chair" ride in the Leckhampton Steeplechase, this being his third successive victory.

Hygiene, the only one backed for any amount to beat Knight of Troy, fell three fences from home when in the lead. Arcola was left, and took no part in the race.

The Evesham Three Years Old Hurdle was won all the way by Harlequin, whose fourth success this was. He comfortably beat Wintenan and the hot favourite, Prior Jack.

GALTEE MORE.

SMART NOVICES TO RUN

Fillip May Prove Best in 'Chase and Silver Lance in Hurdle

ONE or two smart young fencers are due to take part in the Reading Steeplechase at Newbury to-day. They include Sable Marten and War Vessel, both of whom have proved themselves. There is not much to choose between them, but at the weights Fillip should have the beating of the pair. The latter meets War Vessel on no less than 26lb. better terms as compared with Hurst Park earlier in the month, when Mrs. M. Scott's horse beat him by five lengths. On that occasion Fillip jumped exceedingly well, and I expect him to improve. It can be mentioned that War Vessel has won at Windsor since then, but the penalty entailed will probably prove too much for him.

Sable Marten has won both his races this season. He beat Fillip out of a place at Lingfield Park when in receipt of 12lb. This time he is asked to give Fillip 13lb., and that should ensure Thrale's charge turning the tables. The only others that I have any regard for are Mount Hermon, who impressed when fourth to Mollison at Nottingham, and Red Prince, who is having his first race of the season in public. I think that

FILLIP

is entitled to the vote.

The Didcot Hurdle has an attractive look about it. Le Maestro will not run, and, in his absence, I have a great regard for Patrimony, who has been unfortunate in his last two races. He was badly hampered when fourth to Masquery at Sandown, and in a previous race at Kempton was brought down. Flying Eagle, who was a sound winner at Gatwick, should again account for Thimble, and, probably, may prove the danger to

PATRIMONY,

who is selected with some confidence.

The meeting of Silver Lance and Terror will make the Juvenile Hurdle an exceedingly interesting affair. The former has proved himself to be one of our best recruits to hurdle racing. He takes his hurdles fluently, and he should not be troubled to give weight to most of those that will oppose him to-day. He and Terror meet on level terms, and the latter won his last race at Windsor. It matters not whether he was lucky or not to beat Vanvitelli. The fact remains that he showed both jumping ability and speed. Norris will also saddle the well-schooled Portpatrick, but Terror will be the stable's main hope. Uncle Joe won a selling race at Chepstow, while another worth noting is Kate Cosmo, who was second to Cultured Pearl at Kempton Park. I think, however, that

SILVER LANCE,

who has won three races already, will gain another victory here.

Silver Bow II. and Tom Piper are the best of those engaged in the United Services 'Chase. I give the vote to

SILVER BOW II.,

who gave a smart display when running Macaulay to three lengths at Sandown Park. He is asked to give Tom Piper, who was third to Mellburne and Blue Shirt at Sandown, a lot of weight, but he may manage it.

CHELTENHAM RESULTS

1.0—WINCHCOMBE (S.) HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £102. 2 m.
Mrs. C. Heber-Percy's b. g. BLACKGANG LAD, by Captivation—White Ring, a, 12-7 .... Mr. G. Wood 1
Mr. G. Hennecart's BOMBAY III., a, 11-8 .... Mr. J. Gordon 2
Mr. P. Blunt's VICAR'S CROSS, a, 11-4 .... W. Tolley 3

Also ran—South Falloch (Mr. R. Hastings), Great Lad (T. McNeill), King Richard (W. Redmond), The Blacksmith (A. Scratchley), Khartoum (P. Lay), Gold Tor (P. Kinsella). (Winner trained by Holman.)

Betting—9 to 2 each agst. BLACKGANG LAD and Great Lad, 5 to 1 each Vicar's Cross, Bombay III., and The Blacksmith, 7 to 1 South Falloch, 100 to 7 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 16/3; places 3/9, 3/9, 5/3.

Won by one length; six lengths. South Falloch was fourth and Khartoum last. King Richard, Gold Tor, and The Blacksmith fell. Winner bought in for 65 guineas.

1.30—TETBURY (S.) HURDLE of £92. 2 m.
Mr. A. Gillson's b. g. TRAMAWAY, by Tetrameter—Hark Forward, a, 12-0 ...F. Gurney 1
Mr. W. R. Holman's POLYCHORD, a, 11-4 .... Mr. W. Holman 2
Mr. G. Roddick's MOONLIGHT REVELLER, 3, 10-0 .... T. Elder 3

Also ran—Dunkery (Mr. J. Dennistoun), North Devon (K. Piggott), Hayfievah (J. Moloney), Monte Colaro (Mr. B. Gwillam), Melichar (Mr. G. Wood), Tripolitaine (T. Crabb), Black Bill (J. Brown), Imperion (P. Lay), Lemon Tart (J. Vowles). (Winner trained by Freake.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. Moonlight Reveller, 4 to 1 TRAMAWAY, 6 to 1 Tripolitaine, 10 to 1 each Dunkery, Lemon Tart, and North Devon, 100 to 8 each Black Bill and Imperion, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 12/3; places 4/-, 8/3, 2/9.

Won by one length; four lengths. Dunkery was fourth and Melichar last. Tripolitaine fell.

2.0—STAYERS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £248. 4 m.
Mr. E. T. Hunt's RED KNIGHT II., by Lord Hilary—Red Rose, a, 10-3 .... D. Jones 1
Mr. W. Hutchinson's TAPINOIS, a, 11-2 .... D. Nicholson 2
Mr. W. U. Goodbody's RED FREEMAN, 6, 12-0 .... T. Elder 3

Also ran—Perfect Part (G. Archibald), Prominent Lad (A. Scratchley), Lazy Boots (F. Maxwell), Blue Prince (W. Parvin), Downright (Mr. T. Bayley), Dryburgh (B. Carter), Blue Shirt (R. Smyth), Flamborough (P. Lay), Stoep (Mr. P. Street), Butt of Lewis (Mr. P. Vaux), Ellen's Garter (J. Ward), Fearless (J. Richardson), Cottage Owl (E. Brown), Glomiana (B. Hobbs), Howrunnow (D. Doyle). (Winner trained Privately.)

Betting—9 to 2 agst. Blue Shirt, 5 to 1 Red Freeman, 7 to 1 each Ellen's Garter and Cottage Owl, 8 to 1 each Prominent Lad and Blue Prince, 10 to 1 each Perfect Part and Tapinois, 100 to 8 each RED KNIGHT II., Lazy Boots and Dryburgh, 100 to 7 Flamborough, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 49/-; places, 11/-, 8/6, 7/-.

Won by half a length; four lengths. Howrunnow was fourth and Stoep last. Dryburgh, Flamborough, Ellen's Garter and Glomiana fell.

2.30—LONG DISTANCE HANDICAP HURDLE of £97. 3 m.
Mr. A. F. Davis's br. g. FLYING MASCOT, by Six Wheeler—Rosedew, 4, 10-1..D. Butchers 1
Mr. A. Morrow's UP SABRE, 5, 11-10 .... G. Wilson 2
Mr. F. Collinson's SETHOS, a, 10-11 .... A. Jenkins 3

Also ran—Sorley Boy (E. Williams), Lough Edgar (P. O'Connor), Rye Grass (F. Furlong), Fred (W. Woodward), Pat's Cottage (E. Young), Roi-Tondel (Mr. G. Wood), Crawley Wood (J. Loftus), Porte Bonheur (F. Walwyn), Dusky Jack (F. Grieve), Monoceros (K. Piggott), Little Stranger (Mr. J. Gordon), Damory (Mr. A. Marsh), Stalbridge Park (E. W. Jones), Tityus (E. Brown), Wallace (H. Sharland), Antigha (T. Crabb), Dark Point (C. Mitchell), Corn Law (W. Redmond), Blarney Stone (W. Hollick), Blandearna (F. Gurney), Spearton (S. Paulson), Oregon Grape (D. Jones). (Winner trained by G. Todd.)

Betting—11 to 2 agst. Porte Bonheur, 6 to 1 Pat's Cottage, 13 to 2 Little Stranger, 7 to 1 Tityus, 8 to 1 each Up Sabre and FLYING MASCOT, 10 to 1 each Antigua, Oregon Grape and Dusky Jack, 100 to 9 Roi Tondel, 100 to 8 Stalbridge Park, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 43/-; places, 13/3, 9/3, 27/3.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length. Corn Law was fourth and Rye Grass last.

3.0—LECKHAMPTON NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of £165. 2 m.
Mr. J. V. Rank's b. g. KNIGHT OF TROY, by Knight of Kilcash—Troy Girl, 6, 11-9 .... J. Fawcus 1
Mr. H. B. Brandt's JACKSBORO, 6, 11-2 .... T. Elder 2
Lord Stalbridge's PIRITA, 5, 10-8......V. Cross 3

Also ran—Scylla (A. Price), Lateeve (E. Brown), Outrider (W. Parvin), May Prince (T. F. Carey), Dublinup (Mr. A. Marsh), Jack Steel (T. Rimell), Arcola (W. Redmond), Hygiene (F. Walwyn), The Talker II. (R. Burford), Rafino (P. Lay), Jim Pointer (F. Street). (Winner trained by Evans.)

Betting—11 to 10 on KNIGHT OF TROY, 7 to 2 agst. Hygiene, 8 to 1 each Jacksboro, May Prince, and The Talker II.; 100 to 8 Lateeve, 100 to 6 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 3/9; places, 2/9, 8/3, 19/-.

Won by three lengths; three-quarters of a length. May Prince was fourth and Rafino last. Arcola was left at the post and took no part in the race. Jack Steel, Hygiene, and The Talker II. fell.

3.30—EVESHAM THREE-Y.O. HURDLE of £82. 1 m. 7 f.
Mrs. J. Peirse-Duncombe's b. g. HARLEQUIN, by Nothing Venture—Sweet Fairy 11-11 .... E. Brown 1
Mr. Arthur Sainsbury's WINTENAN, 11-0 .... R. Smyth 2
Mrs. J. de Selincourt's PRIOR JACK, 11-0 .... A. Scratchley 3

Also ran—Khushi (R. Burford), Divergence (J. Silvester), Shine (D. Jones), Holy Orders (H. Miller), Abington (E. W. Jones), Sea Pirate (G. Turner). (Winner trained by Powell.)

Betting—11 to 10 agst. Prior Jack, 100 to 30 each HARLEQUIN and Wintenan, 100 to 8 Shine, 100 to 7 Abington, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win 8/9; places, 2/3, 2/3, 2/3.

Won by two lengths; same. Shine was fourth and Sea Pirate last. Divergence fell.

TOTE DOUBLE (10/- stake)—Red Knight II. and Knight of Troy—Dividend, £35 13/-; pool, £1,268; 32 winning tickets.

ARRIVALS AT NEWBURY

Theale 'Chase — Courtesy, Fairyhill, Spurtle, Skill, Jus Premier, Dutch Gold, Pitch Bowl, Double Gloster, Tarbouch II., Jack Ketch.

Yatesbury Hurdle — Escalais, Galapas, Watteau, Carpet Knight, Spinner, Lady Pamela, Liscloon, Priddy Hill, Non-Slip, Eliza, Haut Merlin, Rubis Topaze, Dolcoath, Colombetta, Hopyard, Penance, Sanacre, Peter's Gem, My Knight, Eshton, Say Nowt, My Pretty, Blue Flash.

Reading 'Chase — War Vessel, Fillip, Diogenes, Bold Knight, Irish Morning, National Night, Red Prince, Liscarney, Sable Marten.

Didcot Hurdle — Hors Bord, Grey Crusader, The Bore, Flying Eagle, Thimble, Tribulation, Night Owl, Back Isle, Patrimony.

Juvenile Hurdle—Silver Lance, Alor Star, Ullin's Daughter, Petoford Ethlet, Esau, Take Time, Mafiusi, Windsor Grene, My Knight, Ora, Giotto.

United Services 'Chase—Silver Bow II., Music Hall II., Buckthorn, Final Choice, Lady Pamela.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS

Daily Sketch Double—Flying Eagle and Silver Lance.

F. Walwyn's Engagements

F. Walwyn will ride at Plumpton on Saturday next.

NEWBURY PROGRAMME

1.0—THEALE SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
KIANG (Mr. J. Corbett) ....Rayson a 12 7
TRUE COUNT (Mr. F. E. Peek) Hemsworth a 12 4
JUBA (Capt. North) ....F. Furlong a 12 2
COURTESY (Mr. P. Herbert) W. Nightingall a 12 1
FIANNA II. (Mr. J. Seely) ....Bissill a 11 12
SUNSPOT II. (Mrs. M. Burke) Laurence a 11 12
FAIRYHILL (Mr. F. Hartigan) F. Hartigan a 11 12
WILD LANCER (Mrs. J. P.-Duncombe) Powell a 11 10
SPURTLE (Mrs. Delahooke) ...McMullen a 11 9
JUS PREMIER (Mrs. Beloe) F. Gurney 6 11 8
ANTIGUA (Mrs. N. Roberts) ...Roberts 4 11 7
LONG LOOK (Mr. J. Hanbury) ......Earl a 11 5
ROYAL SUCCESS (Mr. Cardiff) R. Hobbs a 11 4
DUTCH GOLD (Maj. Heyworth) Powell a 11 3
DIAVOLO (Mr. C. S. Green) ....Cox a 11 3
REDFORD (Mr. G. Gregory) ......J. Hall a 11 2
TARBOUCH II. (Mr. H. W. Blyth) Rayson a 11 1
BOMBAY III. (Mr. Hennecart) O. Anthony a 11 1
PITCH BOWL (Mr. J. B. Anthony) Owner 5 11 0
ASCETIC'S PRIDE (Mrs. Court) J. Beary a 10 12
LAW WITHOUT JUSTICE (Mr. M. Pass) Private a 10 12
MARCARGO (Mr. S. D. Player) Thompson a 10 10
SKILL (5lb. ex.) Mr. G. Johnstone) D.-Pennant 4 10 8
EBON KNIGHT (Maj. Rushton) Private a 10 8
JACK KETCH (Mrs. Bloomfield) G.-Bowsher a 10 5
DOUBLE GLOSTER (Mr. Crockett) Gubbins a 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
302	COURTESY ....Mr. P. Herbert	6/1
032	FAIRYHILL	10/1
033	SPURTLE ....Mr. A. Delahooke	100/7
120	JUS PREMIER ....F. Gurney	10/1
432	DUTCH GOLD ....Mr. R. Heyworth	8/1
431	REDFORD	100/8
012	TARBOUCH II. ....J. Fraser	9/2
002	PITCH BOWL ....F. Walwyn	100/30
000	ASCETIC'S PRIDE ....M. Doherty	100/7
000	LAW WITHOUT JUSTICE....E. Taylor	100/7
000	MARCARGO ....Mr. J. Dennistoun	100/7
013	EBON KNIGHT	100/7
431	SKILL	100/7
000	JACK KETCH ....D. L. Jones	100/8
200	DOUBLE GLOSTER	100/7

1.30—YATESBURY SELLING HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
SPINNER (Capt. G. R. Westmacott) Gosden 5 12 3
SPANISH STATE (Mr. W. Wadey) Pulford 6 12 3
ARTIST'S LORE (Mr. de Moraville) Freake a 12 3
CARPET KNIGHT (Mr. F. E. Peek) D. Dick 6 12 3
HORNSEY RISE (Mr. A. J. Redman) Rimell 6 12 3
THE BLUE BOY (Mr. F. Hartigan) Owner a 12 3
NO PARKING (Mrs. Jackson)...Pulford a 12 3
LISCLOON (Mr. G. S. Langlands) Owner 5 12 3
THERAS (Mr. C. A. Lister) .....Hedges a 12 3
PRIDDY HILL (Mr. W. Maiden) G. Todd a 12 3
IRISH BRIAR (Mr. Arrowsmith) Owner a 12 3
ABBOTS FERRY (Mr. G. Bennett) Owner a 12 3
LADY PAMELA (Mr. A. D. Wingfield) Powell 5 12 3
ESCALAIS (Mr. Cazalet)...H. Whiteman 5 12 3
HENRY THE FIFTH (Miss J. Clayton) McVittie 5 12 3
FONAB (Mrs. R. D. Cohen)......Powell a 12 3
TRAMAWAY (Mr. A. Gillson)......Freake a 12 3
WATTEAU (Mrs. H. B. Goode)...Goode a 12 3
MY PRETTY (Mr. J. Day)......J. Day 6 12 3
GALAPAS (Mr. G. Duller)........Duller a 12 3
VASISTAS (Mrs. C. Freake)......Freake a 12 3
BRIDGE FIEND (Mr. W. French) Quirke a 12 3
STAGE COACH (Capt. Roddick) P. Thrale 5 12 3
INDESTRUCTIBLE (Col. F. T. Halse) W. Nightingall 6 12 3
RUBIS TOPAZE (Mrs. N. Roberts) Roberts 4 11 12
TEASE YOU (Mr. C. V. Tabor) ...Tabor 4 11 12
STRAIGHT DEAL (Mr. Frieze) H. Leach 4 11 12
AUREA MAUD (Mr. Guthrie)...J. Beary 4 11 12
HAUT MERLIN (Mr. Mildmay) H. Whiteman 4 11 12
NON-SLIP (Mr. G. Henderson)...Bankier 4 11 12
ELIZA (Mr. B. Warner) ....O. Anthony 4 11 12
KNIGHT OF LOVE (Mr. E. Gwilt) Gwilt 3 10 7
MAJORCA (Mr. F. Ensten)......Ensten 3 10 7
GISBOROUGH (Mr. A. Francis)...Powell 3 10 7
CADUMINOSA (Mr. F. Peek)....C. Birch 3 10 7
BLUE FLASH (Mr. H. Blyth)...Rayson 3 10 7
DOLCOATH (Mr. V. Cottle).....Roberts 3 10 7
HOPYARD (Mr. R. Hobbs)......R. Hobbs 3 10 7
COLOMBETTA (Capt. Fuller).......Powell 3 10 7
PENANCE (Mr. W. Seaward) H. Smyth 3 10 7
STYMIE (Mr. T. Thomas) ....I. Anthony 3 10 7
SANACRE (Mr. G. Todd) ....G. Todd 3 10 7
COLD BIRD (Mrs. E. Tozer) J. Anthony a 12 3
PETER'S GEM (Mrs. Tozer) O. Anthony 3 10 7
MY KNIGHT (Capt. Tufnell)........Bankier 3 10 7
OLD SPORT (Mr. J. C. Waugh) J. Waugh 3 10 7
ESHTON (Sir M. Wilson) W. Nightingall 3 10 7
SAY NOWT (Mr. S. Wootton) ....Wootton 3 10 7

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
000	NO PARKING ....S. Ingham	20/1
	or	
000	SPANISH STATE ....S. Ingham	20/1
000	ABBOTS FERRY	100/6
	ESCALAIS ....J. Ward	20/1
0	MY PRETTY	20/1
040	BRIDGE FIEND	20/1
400	GALAPAS ....D. Butchers	100/8
300	WATTEAU ....W. Parvin	100/7
000	AUREA MAUD	20/1
030	THE BLUE BOY ....A. Mullins	100/7
000	ARTIST'S LORE ....F. Gurney	20/1
000	CARPET KNIGHT	20/1
000	STAGE COACH	20/1
301	SPINNER ....F. Walwyn	11/2
000	LADY PAMELA ....Mr. A. Wingfield	20/1
0	LISCLOON	20/1
440	PRIDDY HILL ....Mr. J. Hislop	10/1
400	NON SLIP ....T. F. Carey	20/1
0	HAUT MERLIN	20/1
021	RUBIS TOPAZE ....T. Crabb	6/1
00	TEASE YOU ....G. Burry	20/1
003	ELIZA ....G. Pellerin	100/6
0	OLD SPORT	20/1
	BLUE FLASH ....J. H. Cutler	20/1
003	DOLCOATH ....J. Bullock	20/1
0	COLOMBETTA ....J. Dowdeswell	20/1
	HOPYARD ....B. Hobbs	20/1
012	PENANCE ....P. Smyth	100/8
0	SANACRE ....W. Myles	20/1
004	PETER'S GEM ....E. W. Jones	20/1
000	MY KNIGHT ....A. Scratchley	20/1
121	ESTHON	13/1
32	SAY NOWT	8/1

2.0—READING STEEPLECHASE of 500 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.
VICTOR NORMAN (Mr. J. Ismay) H. Turner 6 12 12
SABLE MARTEN (Mr. Pilkington) Briscoe 4 12 1
WAR VESSEL (Mrs. Scott)...R. Hobbs 4 12 1
SAMOHT (Mr. J. H. Mears)...D. Rogers a 12 0
MOUNT HERMON (Mr. Norbury) Cockton 5 11 11
RUMPLESTILTSKIN (Mr. Ainslie) Private a 11 9
SWIFT AND TRUE (Mrs. Clark) I. Anthony a 11 2
LOST PROPERTY (Mr. J. Rank) Evans 6 11 2
FILLIP (Mr. G. Roddick).......P. Thrale 6 11 2
SAVON (Capt. L. Montagu)..........Earl 5 10 13
DIMENSION (Mr. J. Morant)...Morant 5 10 13
DIOGENES (Miss J. Clayton)...M'Vittie 5 10 13
BOLD KNIGHT (Brigadier Norrie) Goode 5 10 13
MENTON (Miss Paget)...W. Nightingall 5 10 13
WATCHDOG (Mrs. A. E. Phillips).Bissill 5 10 13
RED PRINCE (Mr. V. H. Smith)...Beeby 5 10 13
ICE-AGE (Mr. J. Rank)...........Evans 6 10 11
IRISH MORNING (Mr. J. Whitney) J. Anthony 5 10 8
NATIONAL NIGHT (Mr. J. Whitney) J. Anthony 5 10 8
LISCARNEY (Mr. Cecil)..........Bankier 5 10 8
THE TALKER II. (Mr. F. Clark) I. Anthony 5 10 8
WARDEN'S BAY (Sir W. Chilcott) H. Lowe 4 10 0
IBRAHIM II. (M. Wertheimer) F. Hartigan 4 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
211	SABLE MARTEN ....H. Nicholson	7/2
021	WAR VESSEL ....B. Hobbs	6/1
234	MOUNT HERMON ......P. Fitzgerald	9/2
20	RUMPLESTILTSKIN	100/8
423	FILLIP ....T. Elder	2/1
010	DROGENES	10/1
410	BOLD KNIGHT ....E. Brown	8/1
000	IRISH MORNING ....H. Jones	100/8
	or	
000	NATIONAL NIGHT ....H. Jones	100/8
402	RED PRINCE ....T. F. Carey	10/1
200	LISCARNEY ....N. Dixon	100/8
200	WARDEN'S BAY ....F. Walwyn	100/8
	IBRAHIM II.	100/8

2.30—DIDCOT HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 250 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
LE MAESTRO (Mr. J. Rank).........Evans 6 12 7
MENTON (Miss D. Paget)...W. Nightingall 5 12 6
LAW COURT (Col. F. Halse) W. Nightingall 5 12 5
RASIBUS (Sir W. Bass)..........I. Anthony 4 12 3
WAYLAID (12lb. ex.) (Mr. Rank) Evans 5 12 2
HORS BORD (Mr. G. Whitelaw) W. Stubbs 5 11 11
FLAM (Col. J. Fairhurst)..............Pease 6 11 10
JACK (Mr. A. Curzon-Howe)..........Owner 6 11 9
LATOI (Mr. A. McKinlay).......H. Peacock a 11 8
GREY CRUSADER (Capt. Spencer Freeman) ....J. Reardon 5 11 8
THE BORE (Lord Glanely)..............Beeby 5 11 7
PATRIMONY (Major T. Bardwell) T. R. Leader 6 11 6
CELEBATE II. (Mr. F. Peek)..........Hurt 5 11 5
ONO COP (Mr. C. Forbes)..........J. Beary a 11 4
THE DANDY (Mr. W. Allard)...H. Turner 4 11 4
FLYING EAGLE (Mr. R. Morel)...Roberts 4 11 1
PRUDENT ACHTOI (Mrs. H. Hollins) W. Payne 4 11 1
THIMBLE (Mr. S. McGregor) (12lb. ex.) Gubbins 6 11 0
SHELLY'S LANE (Mr. W. Keep).V. Hobbs a 11 0
TRIBULATION (Lord Fairhaven).....Pease 5 10 13
KRASSAWITZ (Mr. R. Dawson) Curzon-Howe 5 10 13
ONTARIO II. (Mr. D. Dale)..........Dale 5 10 13
NIGHT OWL (Mr. J. Whitney).J. Anthony 5 10 10
BACK ISLE (Mrs. C. Jones)........Roberts a 10 9
SPANISH STATE (Mr. W. Wadey)..Pulford 6 10 8
MILTOI (Mrs. V. Sainsbury).........Holland a 10 8
IRISH BRIAR (Mr. W. Arrowsmith).Owner a 10 8

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
00	RASIBUS ....E. Williams	100/6
100	HORS BORD ....G. Wilson	100/8
130	GREY CRUSADER ....L. Reed	100/6
012	THE BORE ....F. Walwyn	6/1
204	PATRIMONY ....A. Goodwill	3/1
020	THE DANDY ....E. Vinall	100/8
031	FLYING EAGLE ....T. Crabb	9/2
213	THIMBLE ....Captain Harding	100/6
000	SHELLY'S LANE ....G. Pellerin	100/6
100	TRIBULATION ....E. C. Brown	10/1
300	KRASSAWITZ ....W. Bartlam	100/6
014	ONTARIO II. ....D. Butchers	8/1
240	NIGHT OWL ....A. Scratchley	13/2
000	BACK ISLE ....D. L. Jones	100/6
000	SPANISH STATE ....S. Ingham	100/6

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS

Theale Steeplechase—Tarbouch II.
Yatesbury Hurdle—Spinner.
Reading Steeplechase—Fillip (nap).
Didcot Hurdle—Patrimony.
Juvenile Hurdle—Silver Lance.
Services' Steeplechase—Silver Bow II.

TO-DAY'S DOUBLE.

Fillip and Patrimony.

3.0—JUVENILE HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. 1½ m. st. lb.
CULTURED PEARL (Mr. Berry) Gosden 11 8
SILVER LANCE (Mr. C. Kilne) ......Goode 11 3
TERROR (Mr. W. Murray) ....Norris 11 3
LE PETIT SAVOYARD (Sir D. Llewellyn) Powell 10 12
UNCLE JOE (Mr. Peacock) ...W. Stubbs 10 12
RAM ALONG (Mrs. W. Gresson) ...Rimell 10 10
ALOR STAR (Mr W. Gull) ....P. Thrale 10 10
MONITOR (Mr. R. C. Dawson) ...C. Howe 10 10
FRAGRANT MEMORIES (Mr. Guthrie) J. Beary 10 10
AMICO (Mrs. H. M. Hartigan) H. Hartigan 10 10
BROAD OAKS (Mr. W. Hutchinson) Hurt 10 10
MASTER COSMO (Mrs. C. Jones) Roberts 10 10
PETOFORD (Mrs. C. Jones) ....Gilbert 10 10
POETIC LICENCE (Sir M. McAlpine) I. Anthony 10 10
GAMEFUL (Mr. M. Pass) ... ...Private 10 10
GRASSHOPPER (Maj. C. Moss) T. R. Leader 10 10
KILLARNEY BOY (Miss D. Paget) W. Nightingall 10 10
ULLIN'S DAUGHTER (Mr. Read) Private 10 10
BAGPIPES (Mr. J. V. Rank) ......Evans 10 10
ETHLET (Mrs. C. Rich) W. Nightingall 10 10
KATE COSMO (Mr. T. Richards) W. Nightingall 10 10
GREY PLUSH (Mr. A. Sainsbury) H. Smyth 10 10
ESAU (Mr. E. Strong) ....F. Hartigan 10 10
FARTHINGHOE (Mr. Whigham) ...Private 10 10
TAKE TIME (Mr. G. Whitelaw) W. Stubbs 10 10
HRYMFAX (Mr. D. L. Wilson)...L. Ward 10 10
MAFIUSI (Mr. J. M. Terry).........J. Wood 10 10
HIGH PRESSURE (Mrs. Bennett) Holland 10 5
LIGHT STAR (Mr. A. J. Bridgman) Bridgman 10 5
PORTPATRICK (Maj. H. Cazyer) ...Norris 10 5
WHATNOT (Sir W. Chilcott) ... H. Lowe 10 5
FAST AND FAR (Mrs. F. Clark) R. Hobbs 10 5
GIOTTO (Mr. R. Day) ....Earl 10 5
SUFFOLK PUNCH (Col. G. Foljambe) Owner 10 5
UKASE (Ld. Glanely) ....Beeby 10 5
ASHBROOKE LASS (Mr. Gregson) Master of Gray 10 5
PRINCESS SONNY (Mr. Gregson) J. Kerr 10 5
THE HORITE (Ld. Harewood) ......Barrett 10 5
FENBO (Mr. J. Ismay) ....H. Turner 10 5
NITON (Mr. D. A. Jackson) ....Powell 10 5
TADOUSAC (Mrs. A. James) ...I. Anthony 10 5
CYGNET (Mr. H. Knight) ....Knight 10 5
WINDSOR GRENE (Lady Lochore) Hardwicke 10 5
SOLAR KING (Mrs. M.-Buchanan) F. Hartigan 10 5
PRINCE MEMNON (Ld. Normanton) Private 10 5
PARTHIQUE (Mrs. S. Simmons) E. Piggott 10 5
LOVELY NIGHT (Mr. H. Smyth) W. Smyth 10 5
CAM WOLF (Ld. Stalbridge) ...Stalbridge 10 5
MY KNIGHT (Capt. N. C. Tufnell) Bankier 10 5
ORA (Sir Ernest Wills) ....Nugent 10 5
PARSON'S SPRING (Mr. G. A. Wilson) Private 10 5

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
111	SILVER LANCE	11/10
01	TERROR ....T. Isaac	11/2
21	UNCLE JOE	10/1
2	MONITOR ....W. Bartlam	10/1
04	FRAGRANT MEMORIES	20/1
003	ALOR STAR	20/1
3	MASTER COSMO ....T. Elder	10/1
	PETOFORD ....E. Foley	20/1
0	BAGPIPES ....J. Lewis	20/1
	ULLIN'S DAUGHTER	20/1
00	ETHLET	20/1
2	KATE COSMO	20/1
04	GREY PLUSH	8/1
0	ESAU	100/6
	FARTHINGHOE ....J. Fawcus	20/1
	TAKE TIME ....R. Burford	20/1
30	MAFIUSI ....G. Wilson	20/1
0	HRYMFAX	100/8
	LIGHT STAR	20/1
	PORTPATRICK ....Captain Little	20/1
	WHAT NOT ....F. Walwyn	20/1
	GIOTTO ....G. Archibald	20/1
340	ASHBROOKE LASS	100/6
0	PRINCESS SONNY ....H. Cross	20/1
000	FENBO ....E. Vinall	20/1
	WINDSOR GRENE	20/1
	SOLAR KING	20/1
000	LOVELY NIGHT ....P. Smyth	20/1
000	MY KNIGHT ....A. Scratchley	20/1
	ORA ....J. Hamey	20/1

W. Parvin rides either Silver Lance or Hrymfax.

3.30—UNITED SERVICES' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 175 sovs. 3 m. Age. st. lb.
SILVER BOW II. (Mr. W. Nightingall) Owner 6 12 8
MUSIC HALL II. (Mr. Whitelaw) W. Stubbs 6 12 8
PERSIAN SUN (Mr. R. Blunt)...Blunt a 12 0
BUCKTHORN (Capt. Clements) Master of Gray a 11 12
PENCRAIK (Mr. A. Pilkington)...Goode a 11 10
FINAL CHOICE (Lt.-Col. Sebag-Montefiore) ....Holman a 11 9
BUCK WILLOW (Capt. Roddick) P. Thrale a 11 6
SANTA LUZ (Mr. J. Morant)...Morant 6 11 3
SWEET BERRY (Lord Normanton) Private a 11 2
TAPINOIS (Mr W. Hutchinson).....Hurt a 11 2
TOM PIPER (Mr. R. Petre)..Hemsworth a 11 1
ARDANEW (Mr. Duncanson)......Gosden a 11 0
DEMINKOFF (Lord Portal)...H. Brown a 10 12
PARACHUTE III. (Mr. Wigan)...Private 6 10 12
SICKLEBAR (Mr. I. C. Tetley)....Pease a 10 11
BACKSIGHT (Mr. E. Langford)..Private a 10 8
COTTAGE OWL (Col. Fairhurst)...Pease a 10 8
LADY PAMELA (Mr. Wingfield)..Powell 5 10 7
CAPRICHO (Mrs. C.-Ewing).....Forwood a 10 7
WANDEROO (Capt. Bankier).....Bankier a 10 5
BREVIANI (Miss M. Lark)........Private 6 10 5
VI VICTRESS (Mr. Crailsham).J. Beary a 10 5

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
112	SILVER BOW II. ... Mr. P. Herbert	11/4
00	MUSIC HALL II.	100/6
120	PERSIAN SUN ....Mr. R. Blunt	10/1
000	BUCKTHORN ....Captain Harding	100/6
100	FINAL CHOICE	100/7
004	BUCK WILLOW ... Captain Roddick	4/1
302	SANTA LUZ ....Mr. R. Petre	8/1
	or	
003	TOM PIPER ....Mr. R. Petre	8/1
022	SWEET BERRY	6/1
002	ARDANEW ... Mr. R. Duncanson	100/6
020	PARACHUTE III.... Mr. J. D. Wigan	100/8
102	BACKSIGHT ... Mr. E. Langford	100/8
000	LADY PAMELA	100/6
000	CAPRICHO	100/6
000	VI VICTRESS ... Mr. J. Dennistoun	100/6

FROM THE HUNTING FIELDS

ORMOND HOUNDS

The comparatively small field that turned out for the meet at Pike of Rathcabbin were rewarded by what has been about the best day's sport we have had so far this season.

Brophy's gorse was blank, and a fox found in Morrissey's gorse took a long time to break, but once hounds got into the open scent was the very best. They ran fast to Lelagh, and, forcing him through the big gorse, they crossed the Rathcabbin road and on nearly to Clongowna, but, turning left-handed, they came back by St. Kieran's, and crossing the Birr-Portumna road at the Pike. From here they went up over the hill as if for Brophy's, but, leaving the covert on their right, they ran straight into Derrylahan, and marked the fox to ground in the Rocks after a brilliant gallop of 1 hour and 25 minutes. It was now too late to draw again, so hounds were sent home.

A very large field assembled for the annual Boxing Day meet at Corolanty. There were about 80 on horseback, about 50 motor cars, and the roads were black with bicycles and foot-people. Finding in Quakerstown, we were away at once, scent being the best this season. Running the edge of the bog and across the road at Cargort avenue gate, they ran through Woodbrook, and marked to ground in Glasshouse after a very fast hunt of 25 minutes. There was a brace of foxes on foot in Milltown. Going away on one, they ran hard to Glasshouse, and, being headed on the road, he turned short back, and was marked to ground near where we found him. We did not find again so nothing more was done. The cap at this meet was taken in aid of Earl Haig's fund, and was generously responded to.

CO. LIMERICK HOUNDS

From the meet at Ross Mills hounds found in Ross, and ran over a very fine line of country towards Castletown, then right-handed as if for Garryfine, but bearing to the right the fox came back into Ross Mills and was left there. This was a fine hunt of one hour. The next draw was Barna, and from there hounds ran hard for 35 minutes to ground near Gibbonsgrove, which ended a good day.

The first draw after meeting at Rathfredagh was Ballinakill, which held alright, but he was a soft specimen, and was killed after running two fields. In Knockaderry a fox was killed in covert before hounds went away down the hill on the brush of another and more enterprising customer. Scent was breast-high, and the pack fairly raced up the valley of the Deal towards Rathkeale, through Ballyunninan, and over Mr. Curran's farm. The pace was now beginning to tell, and grief was plentiful just before hounds rolled their fox over in the open at Duckstown, after a brilliant 35 minutes without a check. A fox found in Kilcolman gave us a nice hunt on a greatly diminished scent down to Rathfredagh House and back to Knockaderry, where scent fizzled out.

FINGAL HARRIERS

From the Turvey meet a hare found on Mrs. Dodd's farm gave a nice hunt through Thomondtown and Gracedieu to Roscaul, from where she circled back to the place of finding, and we left her. We found again in Colcut, the quarry running through Mr. Maxwell's stud farm and on by Richardstown and Irishtown to Baldrummin, and back to Corduff, where, hares being too numerous, hounds were stopped.

The Rathbeale fixture brought out a good following, including several visitors. Lady Corbally's demesne was, as usual, our first draw and, finding without delay, the hare circled Rathbeale Hall before going on through New Dairy and The Leas to Brazil, and into the glens of Brackenstown, where we had to leave her owing to there being so many young horses on Mr. Harry Ussher's stud farm. A hare found on Mooretown crossed the Swords road by the Holy Studs and through Mr. Watson's farm into Rickenhor and back to Broadmeadow. Here fresh hares jumped up and, hounds dividing, were only stopped with difficulty. The day finished with a fast hunt from Saucerstown through Roganstown to the Dollards, where the pack ran into their quarry, and two youthful followers were duly blooded.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

THE KILDARE.

To-day........Dollardstown Gate 11.0
January.
Saturday, 1st........Betaghstown Cross-roads.. 11.0

THE MEATH.

December.
To-day........Lobinstown 11.0
Friday, 31st........Kilmoon Cross-roads...... 11.0

KILKENNY HOUNDS. — January:—Monday, 3rd, Ballyfacey Cross-roads (Tuesday, 4th, Hunt Ball); Wednesday, 5th, Bennett's Bridge (at 11.30 a.m.); Thursday, 6th, Coolmore; Saturday, 8th, Dunkitt Cross-roads; Monday, 10th, Barneyglissawney; Wednesday, 12th, Windgap; Thursday, 13th, Kilree Gate; Saturday, 15th, Bishopshall Gate; Monday, 17th, Kilkenny Station; Wednesday, 19th, Mullinavat East; Thursday, 20th, Kilmoganny; Saturday, 22nd, Mile Post Village. At 11 o'clock.

SCARTEEN HUNT (The Black and Tans).—January:—Saturday, 1st, Dromkeen (12 o'clock); Tuesday, 4th, Mooresfort; Saturday, 8th, Hospital (Tipperary Hounds, by invitation); Tuesday, 11th, Limerick Junction; Saturday, 15th, Derk. At 11 o'clock.

WEXFORD HOUNDS.—January:—Monday, 3rd, Killegney; Wednesday, 5th, Ballymitty Cross; Saturday, 8th, Ballinity Cross; Monday, 10th, Galbally; Wednesday, 12th, Mulmintry Bridge; Friday, 14th, Nolan's Kiln; Monday, 17th, Adamstown; Wednesday, 19th, Taghmon (12 o'clock); Friday, 21st, Campile (Waterford Hounds); Monday, 24th, Chapel Station; Wednesday, 26th, St. Leonards; Friday, 28th, Carnagh; Monday, 31st, Blackhall. At 11 o'clock.

WEST WATERFORD HUNT.—January:—Monday, 3rd, Aglish (10.30); Saturday, 8th, Millstreet (12 o'clock); Monday, 10th, Tallow; Thursday, 13th, Beary's Cross; Monday, 17th, Clashmore; Thursday, 20th, Ballinamult; Monday, 24th, Headborough; Thursday, 27th, Crough; Monday, 31st, Kereen. At 11 o'clock.

ORMOND HOUNDS.—January:—Tuesday, 4th, Longford House; Friday, 7th, Munnia Cross; Monday, 10th, Hunt Ball (Belle Isle); Tuesday, 11th, Cloughjordan (12 noon); Friday, 14th, Slevoyre; Tuesday, 18th, Aghancon; Friday, 21st, Pike of Rathcabbin; Tuesday, 25th, Eglish Village; Friday, 28th, Sharavogue Cross. At 11 o'clock.

EAST GALWAY HOUNDS.—January:—Tuesday, 4th, Killimor; Friday, 7th, Clonfert; Monday, 10th, Moorfield Cross; Thursday, 13th, Green Door; Monday, 17th, Eyrecourt (Earl Haig's Cap); Wednesday, 19th, Larkin's Shop; Monday, 24th, Kennels; Thursday, 27th, Shralea; Monday, 31st, Mayour Cross. At 11 o'clock.

NENAGH HARRIERS.—January:—Saturday, 1st, bye day at the Kennels; Tuesday, 4th, Newtown; Friday, 7th, Rapla; Monday, 10th, Scott's Mills; Thursday, 13th, Crannagh Gate; Monday, 17th, Toomevara; Thursday, 20th, St. David's Gate; Monday, 24th, Ballinamona; Thursday, 27th, Ballywilliam Chapel; Monday, 31st, Knock Cross. At 11.30 o'clock.

NORTH KILDARE HARRIERS.—December:—Friday, 31st, Barberstown Cross-roads. January:—Monday, 3rd, Moor of Meath; Friday, 7th, Rathcoffey; Monday, 10th, Dancing Tree; Friday, 14th, Taghadoe Cross-roads; Monday, 17th, The Maynes; Friday, 21st, Baltracey Cross-roads; Monday, 24th, Garadice. At 11.30.

FINGAL HARRIERS.—To-morrow, Naul; Tuesday, January 4th, Seventh Milestone. at 12 o'c.

STRABANE HARRIERS.—January:—Saturday, 1st, Doohan Cross-roads; Wednesday, 5th, Victoria Bridge; Saturday, 8th, Gortfad; Wednesday, 12th, Sion; Saturday, 15th, Capt. W. H. Wagentreiber's, Inchenagh (by invitation); Wednesday, 19th, Rabbstown; Saturday, 22nd, Mr. M'Causland's, Drumennan, St. Johnston, (12 o'clock); Wednesday, 26th, Ardstraw Bridge; Saturday, 29th, Rossgier. At 12.30 o'clock.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Work on Sands

Grey Patch and Rossmere, who run at Manchester on Saturday, were given sharp exercise over two miles on the sands at Filey yesterday.

Jockeys Injured

Two jockeys were injured at Cheltenham yesterday. B. Carter was kicked on the head after the fall of his mount, Dryburgh, in the Stayers' Handicap Steeplechase, and is suffering from concussion and cuts on the head. J. Silvester received concussion by the fall of his mount, Divergence, in the Evesham Hurdle.

Battleship in Grand National

Battleship returns to the United States at the end of the National Hunt season to take up stud duties. He is to be entered in the Grand National, and his owner, Mrs. M. Scott, will come to England to see him run. Battleship won the American Grand National.

POLO

HURLINGHAM TEAM'S TOUR IN JAMAICA

KINGSTON (JAMAICA), Wednesday.

The Jamaica Polo Association has announced that four matches are to be played at Knutsford Park here against Lord Louis Mountbatten's Hurlingham team on February 16, 19, 22 and 26. The British ponies have arrived already, and their trainer has five or six weeks in which to prepare them for the matches.

SELECTIONS FOR NEWBURY MEETING

PAPER.	1.0 RACE.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.
Irish Times	Tarbouch II.	Spinner.	Fillip.*	Patrimony.	Silver Lance.	Silver Bow II.
Galtee More	—	—	Fillip.	Flying Eagle.	Silver Lance.	—
S. Life & Sportsman	Tarbouch II.	Say Nowt.	Fillip.*	Ontario II., next best.	Silver Lance.	Tom Piper.
Man on the Spot	Pitch Bowl.	Galapas.	Fillip.	The Bore.	Silver Lance.*	Silver Bow II.
Daily Sketch	Kiang; if absent, Pitch Bowl.	Eliza.	Sable Marten.	Flying Eagle.*	Silver Lance.	Tom Piper; if ab., Silver Bow II.
Star	Pitch Bowl; Redford, place.	Cold Bird; Theras, place.	Sable Marten.* Mount Hermon, place.	Patrimony; Flying Eagle, place.	Silver Lance; Poetic Licence, place.	Sweet Berry; Tom Piper, place.
Evening News	Fairyhill.	The Blue Boy.	Fillip	The Bore.	Terror.	Tom Piper.
Evening Standard...	Pitch Bowl.	Eshton.	Red Prince.	Hors Bord.	Terror.	Deminkoff.

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HORSES IN TRAINING

AT RATHBRIDE MANOR

The Promise of Spliced and Lone Wave: J. Dawson's String

BY OUR CURRAGH CORRESPONDENT.

THE Rathbride Manor stables earned fame long ago, and, while there are no distinguished performers nowadays of the old kind that the late Michael Dawson had under his charge—Bachelor's Button, St. Brendan, Bachelor's Lodge, Bachelor's Double, Hornet's Beauty, Loch Lomond, Ayn Hali, Great Surprise, etc.—the traditions of the establishment are being well maintained by Joe Dawson who has certainly earned a name for himself in the matter of hard work and assiduous attention to his arduous undertakings.

In the past season he kept up a useful winning sequence, and he would have wound up successfully at Manchester had not Spliced been unluckily beaten by a disregarded outsider. Spliced remains in the stable, and as a three-year-old, I think, he will be worth bearing in mind.

Another speedy two-year-old in the past season was Lone Wave, who won each time out, and achieved a meritorious victory at Manchester in September. This is a good horse, and he will make a name for himself as a three-year-old. He is in the Ulster Derby. Santona, Wainsford and Nora McCarney were also winners, but Robinson Crusoe, after showing some form early in the year, went wrong. He is now back to form. Greek Boy was decidedly backward, but is now going all right, and will make into a useful three-year-old.

The two-year-olds are most promising. The bay colt by Lochiel—All Quiet will most likely be early, for he is a sharp sort, and the chestnut son of Vesington Star—Countess Royal is a good-looking sort with size and substance. The bay colt by Wavetop—Amatoi is a half-brother to Beckford, and the brown daughter by the same sire from Miss O'Hara is a half-sister to another smart winner in Miss O'Callaghan. I was especially interested in the sister to Lone Wave. She has good looks and is a fine mover.

Apart from training flat racers, J. Dawson follows in the footsteps of his father, so far as steeplechasers and hurdlers are concerned, and near Rathbride is a schooling ground for all sorts of jumpers.

HORSES IN TRAINING

(AGES AS FOR 1938.)

JORTO, b. h., a., by Jort—Lisbanoe.
SHADY LANE, ch. g., a., by Soldennis—Magaley's Lane.
ROYAL BAND, b. g., a., by Duke of Buckingham—Rigadoon.
PORTLESTER, b. c., 4 yrs., by Greek Bachelor—Primtoi.
SANTONA, b. g., 4 yrs., by Santilio—Lady Kitty.
WAINSFORD, ch. g., 4 yrs., by Beresford—Wanette.
LONE WAVE, ch. f., 3 yrs., by Wavetop—Lone Princess.
SLICED, br. c., 3 yrs., by Greek Bachelor—Splinter Bar.
NORA McCARNEY, ch. f., 3 yrs., by Flaming Orb—Blue Riband.
FAIR VON, b. c., 3 yrs., by Schiavoni—Fair Head.
ROBINSON CRUSOE, ch. c., 3 yrs., by Romney—Discovery.
GREEK BOY, ch. g., 3 yrs., by Greek Bachelor—Anorb.
BL. G., 3 yrs., by Pickpocket—Del Rigo.
BR. G., 3 yrs., by David Garrick—Meltoi.
GREY G., 4 yrs., by Lansdowne—White Sleeves.

TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

B. C. by Lochiel—All Quiet.
CH. C. by Vesington Star—Countess Royal.
B. C. by Wavetop—Amatoi.
BR. F. by Wavetop—Miss O'Hara.
B. F. by Wavetop—Lone Princess.
B. F. by Warden of the Marches—Royal Plush.

Owners—Lord Milton, Mr. J. Crosbie, Mr. J. F. Byrne, Mr. M. Owens, Mrs. M. Dawson and self. Jockey attached to stable—A. Dardis.

CRICKET

BIG FIRST WICKET PARTNERSHIP

EASY VICTORY FOR LORD TENNYSON'S TEAM

JAMSHEDPUR, Wednesday.

Playing a one-day match against Bihar here to-day, Lord Tennyson's team won easily. Winning the toss, Lord Tennyson put Bihar in, and they made only 84, Langridge taking 4 wickets for 13, Pope 3 for 12 and Worthington 2 for 15. P. A. Gibb and McCorkell opened the innings for the visitors, and, after passing Bihar's total, had put on 118 for the first wicket before Gibb was caught after scoring 59. He hit one 6 and six 4's.

McCorkell was bowled after scoring 75, his best of the tour so far. He hit one 6 and thirteen 4's. When stumps were drawn Lord Tennyson's side had scored 211 for 6 wickets.

The players are proceeding to Calcutta tonight for the third of the unofficial Test matches against an India XI., beginning on Friday. Those who did not play in to-day's match were Parks, Smith, I. A. R. Peebles and Wellard. Score:—

BIHAR.

Sen c M'Corkell b Pope 9
Dass b Langridge.... 0
Kureshi c Jameson b Pope 0
Maharaja of Girdhaur c Gibb b Langridge 3
E. B. Leigh c and b Worthington 12
Sen Gupta b Langridge 2
Khan l.b.w. b Jameson 5
Roy b Worthington.. 15
Naoroji b Pope 27
Chakrabarty not out 3
Chaudhury c Hardstaff b Langridge.. 3
Extras 5
Total 84

Bowling—Gover 0 for 9, Pope 3 for 12, Langridge 4 for 13, Worthington 2 for 15, Hardstaff 0 for 8, Jameson 1 for 22.

LORD TENNYSON'S XI.

P. A. Gibb c Naoroji b Kureshi 59
M'Corkel lb Khan ... 75
Worthington st Chaudhury b Khan 26
Pope run out 14
Lord Tennyson b Kureshi 19
Gover b Khan 13
Capt. T. O. Jameson not out 0
Langridge not out... 1
Extras 4
Total (6 wkts.)...211

Bowling—Khan 3 for 76, Kureshi 2 for 71.

TRANSVAAL BEATEN

SURPRISE IN CURRIE CUP COMPETITION

JOHANNESBURG, Wednesday.

Alan Melville, the former Oxford and Sussex player, who is captaining the Transvaal in the Currie Cup competition is indisposed, and could not play after the first innings of the Transvaal's match against North-Eastern Transvaal.

North-Eastern Transvaal brought off a great surprise by winning by four wickets. They have broken away from the Transvaal for Currie Cup purposes, and this is their first season on their own. Most of the North-Eastern players are little known, whereas the Transvaal, although without Bruce Mitchell, their star batsman, who was not available, included five internationals. A big factor in the Transvaal's defeat was the great form of Len Brown, the former international and ex-Lancashire League bowler, who took six wickets for 98 in the first innings and four for 54 in the second.

The Transvaal batted first and made 323, S. Curnow returning to form to score 129, while X. Balaskas made 84 and A. W. Briscoe 50. North-Eastern Transvaal replied with 273, D. Helfrich making 92. N. Gordon, a medium-pace bowler, took four for 78. Transvaal thus had a lead of 50, but they collapsed in their second innings and were all out for 167, of which Curnow made 58. North-Eastern Transvaal made 218 for six in their second innings, and thus won by four wickets.

NEW AUSTRALIAN RULE

SYDNEY, Wednesday.

It has been decided that in future a bowler's analysis will be debited with wides and no balls in Sheffield Shield cricket. The wides and no balls will also, as hitherto, be included among the extras. A motion to this effect has been passed at the annual inter-State conference. At present there is no likelihood that the new rule will be submitted to the M.C.C. by the Australian Board of Control. It is to be used in Sheffield Shield cricket only, and was not in force for the recent matches played by the States against New Zealand.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

CLUB MATCH

MUCKROSS. .... 4 OLD COLLEGE........ 1

Played yesterday at Rathmines. Misses B. White (3), and E. O'Connor scored for Muckross, and Miss E. Cullen for Old College.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

THE COLLINGWOOD CUP FOR U.C.D.

S. B. HOOPER SCORES TWICE FOR THE WINNERS

University College, Dublin, played Queen's University in the annual match for the Collingwood Cup on the ground of the Linfield Club at Belfast yesterday.

In a game in which the football was of the poorest type, University College won by 2 goals to 1. S. B. Hooper, the visitors' centre-forward, scored two goals in the first half, the first almost immediately after the kick-off. The second followed after 20 minutes. MacHugh got the Queen's goal soon after the re-start, and thereafter, though they attacked repeatedly, Queen's could not get the equaliser.

Queen's University—A. Hyman; A. Hannigan, T. E. Moody; R. Davidson, J. W. Perry, R. N. Burns; R. Barr, P. C. MacHugh, A. Clint, R. J. Young, G. Coyle.

University College—J. J. Milligan; M. P. Lavelle, Ivor Hooper; S. J. Bennett, P. McConville, J. F. McLaughlin; M. Doherty, S. B. Hooper, J. Molloy, W. Donnelly.

BELFAST CELTIC MEET SERIOUS REVERSE

Had Belfast Celtic beaten Ballymena United yesterday in their postponed Irish League match, they would have again taken the lead in the table, but they were beaten 1-0, and so seriously jeopardised their prospects of retaining the championship. Celtic, on Christmas Day, also dropped a point to Distillery.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Kilmarnock............ Goals 0 Hibernians............ Goals. 3

HOCKEY

ROVERS' STRENGTH AT HALF-BACK

THREE ROCK ROVERS "A" ... 4
MR. McWEENEY'S XI. 1

After a good, fast game at Londonbridge road yesterday Three Rock Rovers "A" beat a scratch team captained by P. D. McWeeney by 4 goals to 1. Actually, the scratch side had rather more of the play, but the Rovers' half-back line—composed of D. Jackson, D. J. Coulson and N. Thompson, two of them internationals—controlled the play. The full backs, D. R. Pigot and D. Purcell, both second team men, also did extremely well, and the speed of R. J. Leonard, well supported by S. N. Varian and S. Seymour, brought the goals. For the scratch team the Trinity men, J. C. Moore and W. Pilkington, did splendid work at half-back, and Legge was at the top of his form in defence in the second half, but the forwards were too closely marked to be really effective, although O'Kelly had some scoring chances near the end. Two boys at English schools, G. Jackson and P. Edmondson, showed promise.

Seymour and Leonard (2) were the first-half scorers, and Moran got one for the scratch side immediately after the re-start; but, despite fairly consistent pressure by the latter, the only other goal registered was by Seymour for Rovers. Teams:—

Mr McWeeney's XI.—J. Smith; P. D. McWeeney, H. G. Legge; W. G. Pilkington, J. C. Moore, R. A. French; F. B. O'Kelly, M. McGilligan, P. Edmondson, L. Moran, G. Jackson.

Three Rock Rovers—G. McNamara; D. Purcell, D. R. Pigot; D. Jackson, D. J. Coulson, N. Thompson; S. Seymour, K. Goodbody, R. Leonard, S. N. Varian — Hewston.

LEINSTER SELECTORS TO MEET ON SATURDAY

The Leinster Senior selectors will meet on Saturday at Londonbridge road at 4.30 p.m. to select the team to play Ulster at Banbridge on January 8th.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

NEWBURY MEETING.
Didcot Hurdle—Golden Noble.
United Services' 'Chase—Square Up.
Newbury engagements—Savon and Mademoiselle de Puygareau.

MANCHESTER MEETING.
Castle Hurdle—Culldee.
Chorlton Hurdle—Robber Chief.
Manchester engagements—Leopard's Pride.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Plumpton 'Chase—Blaze.
Chailey Hurdle, Plumpton—Coire-an-Dhuich.
Kempton Park Hurdle and Hurlingham Hurdle, Hurst Park—Nosegay.
Earlstown Hurdle, Haydock—Robber Chief.
All engagements in Mrs. C. Beatty's name—Dennis Gray.
All engagements in Mr. A. R. Cox's name—Mintlaw and Brigadore.
All engagements in M.M. Calmann's name—Sautuer.
All engagements in 1938—Galaxy.
All engagements—Long Look, Chapardouse, Pythonisse and Hazard.

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The closing ... meeting at Ba... terday, were ... weather, and ... remaining roun... interest, but, ... to the favouri... from Longford... It was unfor... third round, s... up, and was u... the course. L... Moving Rain ... Pagan Miller. ... better now. ... just secured t... most of the wa... pressed, but he... the working.

THE KINGDOM ... £100 and C... four dogs, £...

RUGBY FOOT...

NO CHANGES ...
TRIAL ...

All the players invite... third, and final, Engla... match at Twickenham... accepted, and no chang... anticipated. The ref... Lieutenant J. Lawson ...

TO-DAY'S ...

GOLF

RECONSTRU...
ST. AN...

Sir Nairne Stewart ... calling a public meetin... St. Andrews on Satu... consider proposals for ... and Jubilee courses. The alterations are ... to getting the best ... golfing terrain between ... sea. Provost J. Reid ... meeting, which will be ... Campbell and Majo... authorities on golf cou... have voluntarily offered... In the autumn Sir N... man and Sir Guy Ca... tentative scheme for r... and Jubilee courses, ta... of reclaimed ground at... constructing a super ch... of the best golfing l... scheme will be discussed...

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COURSING

THE KINGDOM CUP MEETING

PAGAN MILLER WINS EXCITING DECIDER

The closing stages of the Kingdom Cup meeting at Ballybeggan Park, Tralee, yesterday, were again favoured with ideal weather, and attracted a large crowd. The remaining rounds of the Cup excited intense interest, but, as expected, the trophy went to the favourite, Pagan Miller, who hails from Longford.

It was unfortunate that Cavan Lad, in the third round, sustained an injury in the run up, and was unable to take further part in the course. Leading Osgur then defeated Moving Rain to contest the decider with Pagan Miller. The latter showed up much better now. In a most exciting buckle he just secured the turn after being led for most of the way, and was subsequently hard pressed, but he retained his initial points in the working.

THE KINGDOM CUP—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £100 and Cup; second, £30; two dogs, £8; four dogs, £4.

III.
Moving Rain beat Tied Up.
Leading Osgur beat Cavan Lad.
Can't Fly beat Sandle I--.
Pagan Miller beat Castle Chief.

IV.
Leading Osgur beat Moving Rain.
Pagan Miller beat Can't Fly.

V.
Mr. J. Rooney ns. r. f. d. Pagan Miller (Meadow Fescue—Breffni Molly) beat Mr. J. O'Neill ns. f. d. Leading Osgur (Osgur—Midnight Chimes).

PARK STAKES—For 32 no-course all-ages. **Third Round**—Solace beat Bleach Hero; Green Bonnet beat Moyderwell Beauty; Pleasing View beat Norah's Beak; Weir View beat Darkie's Hill. **Fourth Round** — Solace beat Green Bonnet; Pleasing View beat Weir View. **Deciding Course**—Mrs. S. Tynan's be. d. Solace (Rich Cutlet—Noreen's Choice) beat Mr. P. Casey's bd. d. Pleasing View (Brown Egg—Bridge View Lass).

TRALEE STAKE—Fo. 16 one-course all-ages. **Third Round**—Golden Gun beat Grandson of Tallboy; Roaring Tim beat Little Fashion. **Deciding Course**—Miss M. Healy's bk. d. Golden Gun (Cruselone Boy—Colden Fire) beat Mr. D. Murray's r. f. d. Roaring Tim (Orrin Jude—Killenane).

BALLYBEGGAN STAKE—For 16 two course all-ages. **Third Round**—Ballaugh Breeze beat Freckled Fury. Musical Maid beat Hollywood Express. **Deciding Course**—Mr. M. Cahill's bd. d. Ballaugh Breeze (Feale Hill—Feale Breeze) beat Mr. P. Murphy's bd. b. Musical Maid (Nous Verons—Be Quicker).

TRIAL STAKES—For 16 dog puppies. **Third Round**—Signed Orders beat The Boo; Merry Brandon beat Bashful Sandals. **Deciding Course** — Mr. T. O Ceinneidhe's bd. Merry Brandon (Merry Reel—Brandon Boy) beat Mr. P. Walsh's bd. Signed Orders (Nous Verons—Storm Signal).

TRIAL STAKES—For six bitch puppies. **Deciding Course**—Mr J. V. Rank's f. Jade Rosette (Deeside—Terrestrial) beat Mr. P. O'Connell's bd. Carving Cutlet (Gring Cutlet—Laudator).

ALL STAKES RUN OUT AT BALLINROBE

The coursing at Ballinrobe yesterday was up to a good standard, and all the stakes were run out. The chief event, the Irish Cup Qualifying Stake, was won by Miss Prendergast's Lon Duff. Details:—

BALLINROBE STAKE (12 puppies)—Greim Gear beat Keem Bay Salmon; Moy Anchor beat Salt House Boy; Straggling Village beat Clearance Scheme; North Gate Boy beat Culleenbeg; Sturdy Stock beat Manhattan Tonic; Flint's Glass beat Fortunate Welcome. **Second Round**—Moy Anchor beat Greim Gear; North Gate Boy beat Straggling Village; Flint's Glass beat Sturdy Stock. **Third Round**—North Gate Boy beat Moy Anchor; Flint's Glass a bye. **Decider**—Mr. P. Hoban's Flint's Glass (Flint's First—Miss Dinner) beat Mr. P. Hession's North Gate Boy (Graduate of Kilbecanty—Has It Gone To This).

IRISH CUP QUALIFYING STAKES (8 all ages)—Lon Duff beat Finnaun's Son; Utah Rover beat Sandills Night; Steinbok beat Gaelic Sean; Attorney Oge a bye. Tara King absent. **Second Round**—Lon Duff beat Utah Rover; Attorney Oge beat Steinbok. **Decider**—Miss Prendergast's Lon Duff (Sit Down Paddy—Gladys Mildred) beat Mr. W. Creaven's Attorney Oge (Lawyer's Fee—Finny Bawn).

ADDITIONAL STAKE (6 all ages)—Amy's Compass beat Phantom Worker; King Flame beat Loingseoir; Pudge beat Colls Island. **Second Round**—Amy's Compass beat King Flame; Pudge a bye. **Decider**—Miss McHale's Amy's Compass (Stockwell Street—Gallant Lamb) beat Mrs. Tubridy's Pudge (Straggling Town—Brady's Gift).

CREAGH STAKES (16 (2-course all ages)—Heather Valley beat Son of the Gael; Hunting Tim beat Coismeig Mhor; Videbimus beat Mary's Porthos; Keelogue's Cross beat Big Bad Wolf; Fair Eilish beat Son of Kong; Contralto beat Can Swim; Venetian Countess beat Causeway Colleen; Fly Annie beat Porthos' Eyebrows. **Second Round**—Hunting Tim beat Heather Valley; Videbimus beat Keelogue's Cross; Fair Eilish beat Contralto; Venetian Countess beat Fly Annie. **Third Round**—Hunting Tim beat Videbimus; Venetian Countess beat Fair Eilish. **Decider**—Mr. F. Koenig's Hunting Tim (Toronto Tim—Diana's Despair) beat Mr. M. Cosgrave's Venetian Countess (Egyptian Banker—Dam Rattler).

LOUGH MASK STAKE (16 1-course all ages)—Killary Bay beat Moy View; Ethel's Best beat Mr. Ways; Village Spark beat Lawyer's Clerk; Connemara Black beat Hidden Extraction; Tiger Claws beat Black Flint; Stand Easy beat Mysterious Boy; Spring Robe beat Cool Baker; Cinema Girl a bye. Lucky Town absent. **Second Round**—Ethel's Best beat Killary Bay; Village Spark beat Connemara Black; Tiger Claws beat Stand Easy; Spring Robe beat Cinema Girl. **Third Round**—Ethel's Best beat Village Spark; Spring Robe beat Tiger Claws. **Decider**—Mr. P. Cullen's Ethel's Best (Only Ways—Handsome Helen) beat Mr. W. Jennings's Spring Robe (Dee Spring—Salthill Pride).

RUGBY FOOTBALL

NO CHANGES ON ENGLISH TRIAL TEAM

All the players invited to take part in the third, and final, England international trial match at Twickenham on Saturday have accepted, and no changes in either team are anticipated. The referee will be Flight-Lieutenant J. Lawson (Royal Air Force).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE

Wanderers Senior Schoolboys v. Bective Senior Schoolboys. Lansdowne road, 2.30.

Wanderers Schoolboys—D. J. O'Reilly; J. Hamilton, N. Hitchcock, T. C. Kearon, R. J. Perry; P. Docker, C. Nixon; D. Carroll (capt.), H. R. Murray, S. N. Rutherford, W. Hughes, S. R. Coe, D. Sherriff, G. Priestman, J. Allen.

GOLF

RECONSTRUCTION AT ST. ANDREWS

Sir Nairne Stewart Sandeman, M.P., is calling a public meeting of the ratepayers of St. Andrews on Saturday, January 15, to consider proposals for reconstructing the New and Jubilee courses.

The alterations are suggested with a view to getting the best out of the wonderful golfing terrain between the old course and the sea. Provost J. Reid will preside at the meeting, which will be attended by Sir Guy Campbell and Major C. K. Hutchison, authorities on golf course construction, who have voluntarily offered their advice.

In the autumn Sir Nairne Stewart Sandeman and Sir Guy Campbell made public a tentative scheme for reconstructing the New and Jubilee courses, taking in a large tract of reclaimed ground at the West Sands and constructing a super championship course out of the best golfing land available. This scheme will be discussed at the meeting.

CLUB NOTICES AND REPORTS

COUNTY SLIGO.

Hermitage Cup—J. R. Mahon (scr.) and T. J. Mulligan (10) tied with 72. Mahon won the play-off.

RATHFARNHAM.

Saturday—Fourball, aggregate strokes, 9 holes.

MILLTOWN.

Ladies.—Monday, January 3rd—Monthly medal, first nine holes strokes.

ROSSLARE.

Christmas results:—Men's singles (open): J. J. O'Hanlon, New Ross (17), 70; J. J. Kelly, Rosslare (8), 73. Men's fourball: W. F. French (scr.) and J. D. Ffrench (7), 8 up.

CO. KILDARE.

Ladies.—Stroke: Miss H. Gorry (6), 37; best gross, Mrs. Gorry. Stroke—Miss S. Gorry (8), 36; best gross, Miss H. Gorry. Tuesday, January 4th—Nine holes, strokes; draw 2.30.

BOXING

RUNNERS-UP GET A CHANCE

IRISHMEN FOR GERMAN POLICE TOURNAMENT

BERLIN, Wednesday.

Ireland will be among the four nations sending boxers to the international tournament of the German police in Berlin on January 7. The other three nations are Germany, France and Denmark.

The Irish boxers are:—W. Moore, welter-weight; J. Herlihy, middle-weight; J. Brannigan, cruiser-weight, and C. Breathnach, heavy-weight.

The entries are:—Welter-weight — Moore, Jahn (Leipzig), Knudsen (Copenhagen), Mietschke (Berlin).

Middle-weight—Herlihy, Zigan (Paris), Koehler (Leipzig), Campe (Berlin).

Cruiser-weight — Brannigan, Deguerre (Paris), Aage Jensen (Copenhagen), Hornemann (Berlin).

Heavy-weight—Breathnach, Copin (Paris), Gramstrup (Copenhagen), Nickel (Berlin).

The Press greatly praises the Irish boxers, who are described as the most dangerous opponents the German Police boxers will meet. Both Moore and Herlihy were runners-up for Irish titles recently.

ROCHE TO MEET BERG

ANXIOUS FOR RETURN BOUT WITH CONDON

Paddy Roche, the well-known Cork boxer, who is to fight the former British champion, Kid Berg, next month, is at present in Cork in connection with his return fight with Mossie Condon. Some time ago when they met at the City Hall the fight resulted in a draw, and Roche is anxious for a return bout with Condon for the latter's Irish welter-weight title.

Roche states that over a month ago the fight should have taken place, but it was postponed, and last Saturday a second postponement took place. He added: "If I win the title from Condon, I am quite willing to fight for it on the following day." Roche returns to London this week to prepare for his fight with Berg at Sheffield on January 17th, "and I feel confident of beating him," he said.

HARVEY CONFIDENT OF BEATING McAVOY

There was another development yesterday in the efforts to stage a cruiser-weight title fight between Jock McAvoy (the holder) and Len Harvey. This proposed meeting has been the subject of more talk than any other fight for a long time, and yesterday, after a period of cessation, Harvey returned to the fray with an offer to McAvoy.

Harvey, who has rejected the National Sporting Club's offer to participate in a £2,000 purse, told a Press Association reporter that if McAvoy would defend his title against him he would make the champion a personal guarantee of £1,500 as his share of the purse.

"I do not think I would be taking much risk in doing so," added Harvey. "For myself, I am prepared to box on a percentage basis." Harvey wishes the fight to be staged at Wembley, either in January or February.

FAMOUS AMERICAN SECOND DIES

NEW YORK.

Joe Malone, one of the best-known boxing seconds in the United States, who has worked in the corners of such famous boxers as Gene Tunney, Max Schmeling and Henry Armstrong, has died from a heart attack.

SCULLING

AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION BEATS TURNER

SYDNEY.

Cecil Pearce, cousin of the former Olympic champion, H. R. Pearce, who is now professional champion of the world, beat H. G. Turner in a scratch event at the Sydney Club's regatta by three lengths. The two men are shortly to contest a test race to decide who will represent Australia at the Empire Games. Pearce is the Australian champion, and represented Australia at the Berlin Olympiad, but his form has not been too good. He was recently beaten by Turner.

LACROSSE

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Youths v. Veterans. Park avenue, 2.45.

TEAMS.

Youths—Misses B. Campbell, I. Lombard, D. Maddock, R. Mayne, H. Watson, J. Lewis, J. Lombard, R. Cox, M. Ackerley, A. Darley, C. Mitchell, H. Griffith.

Veterans (white blouses)—Misses L. McDonnell, M. Weir, B. Rutherford, N. Meldon, B. Scott, M. Meldon, J. Millar, J. Dermody, L. Hutton, D. Farringdon, M. Leonard, D. Griffiths, B. Jackson.

SNOOKER

CLEVER SHOT BY BROWN

Despite the safety tactics of Inman, Alec Brown went further ahead in the Gold Cup match at Thurston's, London, yesterday, and at the end of the first session led by ten frames. One of the best shots was by Brown in the third game. The yellow was on the brink of the upper left pocket touching the black and surrounded by eight reds. Brown played an artful cross to cut one of the reds into the opposite pocket, and somehow managed to squeeze the cue-ball through to pot the yellow. That cleared up an awkward position. The chief break of the session was 51 by Brown, who is conceding 21 points per frame. Brown had a break of 61 in the evening session, when each won three frames. Score:—Brown 23, Inman 13.

MAN DEAD WITH AXE IN SKULL

SON CHARGED WITH MURDER

George Arthur Meakin, aged 39, a master at Warsop Vale School, Nottinghamshire, was found last night dead in bed at his home with an axe in his skull.

His son, Owen Arthur Alexander Meakin, aged 17, a telephone operator at Warsop Main Colliery, was charged with murder, and will appear before the county magistrates at Mansfield to-day.

OWNER DEAD IN DRIFTING SCHOONER

SIX PASSENGERS RESCUED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

SAN PEDRO (CALIFORNIA), Wednesday.

Mr. Dwight Faulding, a wealthy middle-aged hotel owner, was found shot dead to-day in his 50-feet schooner, from which six other persons, including three women and a boy, were rescued by Coastguards, who found them in distress 200 miles south of Los Angeles.

The rescued had been without food or water for three days.

KILLED BY FLINT ARROW

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

LISLE (DORDOGNE), Wednesday.

The fossilised skeleton of a prehistoric man, estimated to be some ten thousand years old, has been discovered near Grand Brassac.

The skeleton is in an unusually well-preserved condition, and experts who have examined it were even able to determine the cause of death. They say that the man was killed by a flint arrow.

FASCIST COUP IN RUMANIA

ELECTIONS TO BE NULLIFIED

200,000 STORM TROOPERS PLAN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VIENNA, Wednesday.

THE situation in Rumania began to look more and more like a Fascist *coup* to-night, when it became known, simultaneously with a series of energetic Government measures, that the Parliamentary elections just held are to be considered null and void. The technical reason given is that the Electoral Commission has not officially published the election results within the period prescribed by the Constitution, which elapsed last night.

It is understood that the new Parliament will be dissolved just before it is due to meet for the first time on February 17.

New elections are likely to be held at the beginning of April. The first step taken by the new Government was to replace all Prefects—provincial administrators—by members of the National Christian Party.

This will be followed by the dissolution of all Municipal Councils, the formation of 200,000 "Storm Troopers," and the creation of a propaganda ministry.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

Although M. Goga, the new Rumanian Premier, has emphatically promised to respect the Constitution, to-day's Ministerial declarations have scarcely dispelled the growing impression that some form of "authoritarian" Government will be set up in Rumania.

In a speech to the Press, M. Goga said that the new Government was not yet in a position to issue a declaration of policy, but he hoped to make one over the radio on New Year's Eve. "My political past should be guarantee enough that the Government will follow a straight line," he said. "The programme of the National Christian Party will be the new framework for the life of the nation."

The new Minister of Justice when he took office said: "This is the last attempt at Parliamentary Government. We shall permit no terrorism from whatever quarter. The methods of violence of the Iron Guards will be countered with extreme energy."

On a less official occasion the new Premier is understood to have stated that, "while respecting constitutional rights, it was his intention to reduce the percentage of non-Rumanian workers in the factories and to revise the lists of Jewish immigration from the East since the war. The Government would have one main programme, namely, "Active Nationalism."

GOD, KING AND NATION

This note was also struck by King Carol in his speech at the taking of the oath last night, when he said: "The foundation which is given this Cabinet, with its motto, 'God, King and Nation,' unites the two faiths of the day—the strength of nationalism, supported by the backbone of our country—the peasants."

It has become clear to-day that the new Government is not a coalition, since the National Peasant members apparently accepted portfolios without the permission of their party, whose leader, M. Maniu, has already published a statement bitterly attacking the new Cabinet. It is understood that these truant members are likely to be expelled from their party, if that has not already been done.

In Budapest the Hungarian Liberal and Left Wing Press this morning express fears that the new *régime* will tend to persecute the national minorities, especially the Hungarian minority.

JEWISH FEARS

The Jews of Rumania accelerated the liquidation of their stocks on the Bucharest Stock Exchange to-day, causing a very pronounced recession all along the line. Several stocks declined as much as 10 per cent. overnight. The Black Market—unofficial exchange market—was particularly active to-day, the £ sterling rising to 940.

The rise on the Black Market and the recession on the Stock Exchange, according to Jewish sources, are due to eagerness on the part of many Jews to liquidate their stocks in order to be prepared for any eventuality. Their position in Rumania since the change of Government is uncertain, they say. They fear most of all that the Goga Government will apply what is termed the four points of Professor Cuza, Rumania's outstanding anti-Semitic leader, who is looked upon by many as a kind of father of the present Cabinet.

To-night the censor notified three leading daily papers, the *Dimineata, Adeverul* and *Lupta*, that they will not be permitted to appear. No period of suspension is given.

These three papers are alleged to be under Jewish direction and controlled by Jewish finance.

"BIG BUSINESS" WARNED

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO WRECK NEW DEAL

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PHILADELPHIA, Wednesday.

Renewing his attack, which he made on Monday against monopolistic practices, the Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. Jackson, to-day accused "big business" of going on strike against the Government in an effort to "liquidate the new deal," and of seizing the current recession as a cudgel to whack concessions out of the Government.

Mr. Jackson, who was speaking at a meeting of the American Political Science Association, asserted that the Government was the sole agency with power to "condition capitalism and industrialism to survive," and that the Government's recovery programme "has succeeded nowhere so effectively as in restoring the profits of business."

The only criticism of the "new deals" economic programme, he added, was that "it did not do sufficient to guard recovery from the raids of the monopolist."

Mr. Roper, the Secretary of Commerce, declared that there are good and evil monopolies, and "they are the concern of good business itself, as well as the consumers and the Government, and they must be curbed."

Mr. Cummings, the Attorney-General, reiterated that the existing anti-trust law was inadequate, and asserted that additional appropriations are needed to enable the Department of Justice to fight monopolistic practices.

AGED MAN'S DEATH

SON CHARGED WITH MURDER

Thirty-three years old William Thompson Morris, of Sydney street, Darwen (Lancs), was charged at Darwen yesterday with the murder of his father, William Henry Morris (77), of the same address, and was remanded until January 6.

The father was found with severe head injuries, from which he later died.

Police Sergeant William Moore said that in reply to the charge Morris said: "Well, he's been a mess. I didn't do it to kill him; I did it to frighten him."

Morris was stated to have said when arrested: "I started a fight and kicked him."

Police Inspector Banks said that the son had made a statement, but he did not propose to read it at this stage.

BRITAIN'S FLOOD-TIDE YEAR

1937 A PERIOD OF PROSPERITY

RIDDLE OF THE NEW YEAR

PEACE THE VITAL FACTOR

PROSPERITY has outlasted the year 1937, notwithstanding certain gloomy forebodings which marked its later months. The ebb tide is not yet, and on the British trade returns for eleven months of the year it is clear that 1937, the fourth year of rising trade, has bettered its predecessor to the tune of about £170,000,000 in imports and about £78,000,000 in exports.

The outstanding event of the year, the Coronation, has played an important part in maintaining the free circulation of money, and the prodigious spending of the home population during the early summer months was substantially augmented by the introduction of money from foreign and Empire countries through the vast influx of Coronation visitors.

The second factor in the movement of money—perhaps not so sound from the economic standpoint—has been the rapid development of the Government's vast scheme of rearmament necessitated by the unsettled state of world affairs. Although the full repercussions of consequential increased taxation have still to be felt by industry and by the individual taxpayer, it is unquestionable that the improvement in the heavy industries which followed the launching of the armaments plan has brought about a welcome relief in the employment situation in the country generally, with, perhaps, the most marked effect in the depressed areas.

AIR-RAID SHELTERS

The prolonged clash between the local authorities and the central Government on the question of financial responsibility for air raid precautions has greatly retarded local organisations, and, although during the last few months of the year, when the position became clearer through the passing of the Air Raid Precautions Bill, rapid headway was made in the provision of materials and appliances, the position with regard to air raid shelters remains one of considerable gravity. While Continental countries—notably Germany—have, through the co-operation of employers of labour and municipalities, made comprehensive arrangements for the protection of the civil population in gas and splinter-proof shelters, Britain has barely begun the construction of these refuges.

Early in the New Year London's first bomb-proof shelters, built by Richard Costain, Ltd., at Caxton Hall, to the order of the Westminster City Council, will be completed and open to inspection by those who are interested in the provision of similar structures, and it is expected that the first three months of 1938 will witness a great outburst of activity in that section of the constructional industry which is equipped to provide reinforced concrete and steel-lined structures to meet the requirements of factories, public utilities, institutions, schools, and municipalities.

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture has passed through a trying, but, on the whole, stabilising period. The various marketing schemes, with the notable exception of pig and bacon marketing, have weathered the storms of criticism which were launched at them, and, although farmers have been badly hit by the rising costs of animal foodstuffs, there have been compensations in better retail prices, and, in the case of milk particularly, a substantial increase in consumption. Owing to the efforts of the Milk Marketing Board, coupled with growing public confidence in the safety of the milk supply, due to the extended practice of pasteurisation, the nation's total consumption of liquid milk has gone up during 1937 by approximately 25,000,000 gallons.

The Government's land fertility scheme, by which heavy subsidies are given to farmers who purchase lime and basic slag, has proved extraordinarily successful, and a big rise in Britain's food productive capacity may be expected within the next two or three years, when the effect of this beneficent measure is felt.

BREWING INDUSTRY

The brewing industry is usually a sure barometer of the economic health of the country.

After a prosperous year all that serves to dim the prospects of the brewing industry, and of the host of allied trades dependent upon it, is the rise in prices of materials—the raw materials for brewing, machinery and building.

Only this factor is likely to lead to any increase in prices. Extra taxation, it has been suggested in some quarters, might be imposed on beer in the next Budget, and so lead to an increase in price. This, however, is very unlikely, since past experience has shown that beer is now carrying the maximum duty possible without a diminishing return. Increased taxation would render useless the valuable arrangements made for the benefit of British barley and hop growers, and would affect very seriously the business of bottle manufacturers, coopers, builders, transport concerns, and many other interests.

Under the terms laid down by the Import Duties Advisory Committee, the brewers are faced with the task of finding more than 7,500,000 cwt. of home-grown barley fit for malting. The task can hardly be easy; for only the best barley can be used for brewing, and the 1937 crop might easily have been a great deal better without being of sensational quality.

SHIPPING

Shipping has shown a remarkable recovery, due largely to our improved external trade, but also in some measure to the result of the continuance of hostilities in Spain and the demands for the shipment of supplies to other disturbed parts of the world. The amount of modern British shipping now laid up is negligible, and freights have shown a healthy upward tendency. This overdue recovery has been to some extent shared by coastal shipping, which, again, for the seventh successive year, has shown a small increase in total tonnage. Coastal shipping, however, has had to face new handicaps, mainly because of rising costs, in part resulting from differential treatment in respect of bunker coal. Moreover, notwithstanding the continued rise in business owing to the greater movement of goods, fresh competition has been introduced by the operation of "agreed charges" on the railways, and a further increase in the number of foreign ships operating on the British coast.

While there is evidence that the transport industry is slowly moving towards a better organisation and the lessening of uneconomic competition, much work has yet to be done by the Transport Advisory Council. The outstanding event in the transport world for the year was probably the five per cent. rise in railway freights, which came into operation on October 1, and arising out of which grave fears were at one time expressed by coastal tramp shipping concerning the possibility of the railways using this new source of income as a means of intensifying competition for the heavy grade of goods. There are, however, indications of a general desire to avoid unnecessary competition between equally indispensable forms of transport.

COST OF LIVING

The rise in the cost of living, caused largely by the increased demand for all goods as a result of higher wages and general national prosperity, was felt and commented upon in many quarters. High food costs were more especially singled out for criticism, though here the average increase on December 1—46 per cent. above that for July, 1914—was not as great as that of other items, whose price levels brought the general average to a point 60 per cent. above the pre-war figure.

Much comment was made upon a temporary shortage of butter during the autumn, due largely to a drought in Australia and a fall in Continental supplies. The scarcity ended, however, with the arrival in November of new season's supplies from New Zealand, which had been sending record quantities throughout the year. As a result, Dominion butter is now available at prices which are little, if at all, above the level for July, 1914, and are consequently doing much to lighten the burden of other rising food prices.

HOUSING

The nation's housing "drive" was carried a stage further during 1937. The Minister of Health announced that 800,000 slum-dwellers were already in new homes, and that in a number of cities and towns some 25 per cent. of overcrowding had been abated. During the year the total number of houses built since the Armistice in England and Wales reached 3,450,000. Of this number some 2,000,000 were bought by their occupiers through the building society movement, whose assets rose during 1936-'37 to more than £656,000,000, the largest society, the Halifax, accounting for no less than £114,000,000 of this sum. In the same period the Halifax society advanced to home-buyers more than £20,000,000. Since 1919 about 13,500,000 people, or 35 per cent. of the population, have moved to new homes. London saw the latest contribution to its housing amenities in Dolphin square, on the Westminster river front. This new block of flats is the largest of its kind in Europe.

The year brought considerable prosperity to the paint industry. The Coronation and the Government's re-armament programmes were important contributory causes of this prosperity. Unemployment among painters and decorators declined, thanks in great measure to the Press advertising of the Paint Marketing Council.

PUBLIC HEALTH

During the year the Government announced its plans for a national fitness campaign, and appointed a council of well-known athletes, physical fitness experts and others to advise public bodies on the importance of "keeping fit."

The Government foreshadowed its long-term milk policy in a White Paper issued during the year. The White Paper recommended certain measures to ensure the safety of milk supplies. The measures gave local authorities powers to enforce the pasteurisation of all milk sold in the areas below the tuberculin-tested standard, and of that retailed from single herds.

Infant mortality showed a substantial drop during the year. Many new hospitals were built in the country, while others were modernised and improved. In Surrey the first complete "Country Hospital for Town Children," the Princess Elizabeth of York Hospital, rapidly took shape, and 1938 should see it ready for its first patients.

LEGISLATION

The year's legislation has not been of a momentous character, but the liveliest interest was created by the introduction and the skilful steering through Parliament of the Matrimonial Causes Bill by Mr. A. P. Herbert.

Only slightly less has been the public interest manifested in the Cinematograph Films Bill, which has been challenged at almost every stage in Committee. This measure, which is necessary to replace the expiring Quota Act, aims at bringing prosperity to the British film industry. The industry, however, while approving it in parts, has declined to hail it as a saviour of its shattered fortunes. Although disunity within the industry has compelled the Government to take a somewhat arbitrary stand in defence of the proposed measure, 1938 will open with a strong bid by the British producers to persuade the Government to adopt far bolder measures than those now contemplated to induce America to buy reciprocally from Great Britain, and thus put the production of high-grade British films on a permanently sound financial basis.

SPORT

Every section of sport continued to draw its thousands. Football did not run true to form during the first half of the 1937-38 season, and thus produced many "freak" results.

Greyhound racing attracted more people than in 1936, and the prize money distributed to owners racing on the tracks running under the rules of the National Greyhound Racing Club was considerably more than £300,000. The club reported that it registered 4,700 new greyhounds and 1,600 new owners during 1937. Weather conditions considerably hampered sport towards the end of the year and caused postponement and abandonment of many fixtures.

THE OUTLOOK

Although the outlook in most branches of industry remains unclouded, the continuance of the upward trend in trade is bound to be largely dependent upon the international situation in relation to peace or war. Notwithstanding the gravity of the Far Eastern position, the prospects for 1938 are for the moment hopeful. Thanks to the recovery in the prices of primary products, the purchasing power of the British Dominions and Colonies, which fell enormously during the slump, is steadily recovering, and the tendency for the Empire to provide an ever-increasing proportion of the market for British manufactures is being maintained. Bright hopes are also centred in the projected Anglo-American trade agreement, which should bring about a freer exchange of commodities between the two great English-speaking countries.

The financial standing of Britain remains unchallenged, and the close of 1937 saw a total in national savings of £3,500,000,000, of which £1,404,000,000 represented State-controlled savings, such as National Savings Certificates, Post Office and trustee savings bank balances, while approximately £2,100,000,000 represented investments in building societies, friendly, industrial and provident societies, industrial assurance and joint stock banks.

1938 will start with a total increase in the national savings of something like £100,000,000.

FIRST SEA LORD

RESIGNATION RUMOUR DENIED

In reply to inquiry at the Admiralty last night it was stated that a report to the effect that Lord Chatfield is to retire early in the new year from the post of First Sea Lord is without foundation.

"Nothing is known at the Admiralty of the impending resignation of the First Sea Lord," it was stated.

Admiral of the Fleet Lord Chatfield is aged 64 and has been First Sea Lord since 1933. As flag captain to Earl Beatty in H.M.S. Lion in the Great War he distinguished himself at Heligoland Bight, the Dogger Bank, and Jutland. A gunnery specialist, he has served in the Navy since he was 13. Lord Chatfield was promoted to the rank of Admiral of the Fleet in May, 1935.

Regulations state that Admirals of the Fleet promoted to that rank on or after February 7th, 1927, are to be retired after five years from the date of their promotions, irrespective of age. Lord Chatfield, therefore, is not due to retire until before 1940.

HOUSES FOR DUBLIN MEN

At a meeting of the Dublin Corporation on Monday next a motion by Mr. James Larkin, T.D., will be considered, which is that twenty-five houses on the North side of the city, and the same number on the South side, should be reserved from January 1, 1938, for citizens of Dublin, born within the city, between the ages of 21 and 30, who are about to be married, and whose incomes are not in any case more than £4 per week.

£50 INCREASE FOR CORONER

The report of the City Manager, to be considered at the meeting of Dublin Corporation, states that the City Coroner, Dr. D. McErlean, receives an increase of £50 per annum in his salary, in accordance with the terms of his appointment, as from October 26, 1937, the date on which, by the death of Dr. M. Walters, Coroner for North County Dublin, this area came under his jurisdiction. The report also states that sanction has been obtained for the planting of trees on the canal banks between Emmet Bridge and Portobello Bridge, Stillorgan road, Kimmage road, West; Bangor road, Copeland avenue, Oulton road, and Cabra Drive.

£20,000 JEWEL CASE

POLICE DISCOVERY IN LIVERPOOL

YOUNG WOMAN HELD IN CUSTODY

MISS MARION COOPER, aged 28, described as of Clifton terrace, Westcliffe-on-Sea, was accused at Liverpool yesterday of having in her possession seven brooches, seven diamond bracelets, eleven diamond rings, four diamond dress clips, a pearl necklace, four ear clips, a gold cigarette case, and other articles of jewellery, worth £20,000, in respect of which there was reasonable ground to believe they had been stolen.

Miss Cooper appeared in the dock wearing a heavy black coat, with fur collar, and a close-fitting hat.

She was not professionally represented.

Mr. J. R. Bishop, prosecuting, said that early in November a robbery took place in Park lane, London. The circumstances were reported to the Liverpool police, and it was believed that some of the property had found its way to Liverpool.

The Liverpool C.I.D. made inquiries, led by Detective Superintendent Moore, and on Tuesday Detective Hickleton saw Miss Cooper in Lime street, Liverpool. He told her that he was making inquiries about a large quantity of jewellery that had been stolen in London, and he asked her if she knew anything about it.

He asked for her name and address, and she gave the one under which she was now charged.

The detective told her that he was not satisfied that this was her correct name and address, and she replied: "It is no crime to use a wrong name." She was apprehended, and later a search warrant was issued at an address in the city. The police there recovered between £20,000 and £30,000 worth of jewellery.

When Miss Cooper was told of the discovery she made no reply, and when formally charged she said: "No; I have nothing to say."

Mr. Bishop asked for the present charge against Miss Cooper to be withdrawn, and he added that she would be kept in custody until the London police arrived, to whom she would be handed over.

The magistrates assented to this course, and as she left the dock Miss Cooper said: "Yes, I understand."

Miss Marion Cooper arrived in London last night. She and a woman who had travelled with her from Liverpool, accompanied by police officers, were taken to Vine street police station.

No charge had been preferred against either of the women up to a late hour last night.

U.S. REARMAMENT

BOMBERS FOR THE PACIFIC

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.

DESPITE opposition to President Roosevelt's intimation of speedier naval re-armament by Senators Borah, Johnson, Wheeler, Nye and Adams, the influential newspaper, *Washington Star*, welcomes the President's move. "The nations will certainly interpret it as a reply to 'the intolerable affront to our flag' over the Panay incident," declares the paper. "The United States," it adds, "thus institutes its own guarantees for Japan's good behaviour, which is exactly the kind of moral suasion, if not the only kind, which that force-worshipping nation and like-minded peoples west of Suez can understand."

Although the Senators mentioned have expressed their dislike for additional expenditure on arms, Representative Taylor, to whom the President's letter was addressed, declares: "We want peace, but we must be prepared to lick hell out of them if they tramp on our toes." He did not specify who "they" were, but said that he felt sure Congress would approve any additional building President Roosevelt would recommend.

Influential business circles have interpreted the President's move more as a recovery measure than an international gesture, pointing out that the heavy industries—particularly steel, which is now laying off large numbers of workers—would greatly benefit from a bigger naval programme.

The date for a mass flight of U.S. naval patrol 'planes across the Pacific from San Diego to Honolulu, Hawaii, has been advanced from some time in February to January 19, it was revealed by the Navy Department to-day.

No explanation for the change of plans is given.

Officials said that a squadron of twelve bombers would probably undertake the flight.

The United States was to-night urged to abandon isolation and to co-operate without entangling alliances with other nations to create institutions of peace.

This appeal was made in a broadcast by Mr. S. D. McReynolds, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives. He said that America had an interest in the Far Eastern dispute other than the protection of American life and property. "There is an equally large question—whether international relations are to be governed by law or violence."

"The policy of isolation and withdrawal," said Mr. McReynolds, "while undertaken in the name of peace is a policy that encourages war."

Sir Ronald Lindsay, the British Ambassador, called on the State Department in Washington to-day, it is believed, in connection with Far Eastern developments.

THREE INQUESTS AT CORK

TWO BODIES TAKEN FROM RIVER

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Wednesday.

A verdict of death from asphyxia, due to drowning, as the result of accidentally falling into the River Lee, at Anderson's quay, Cork, on Christmas Eve, was returned at an inquest to-day on John Linehan, Ashburton cottages, a pensioner of the Cork Harbour Commissioners.

Evidence was given that Bertie Carroll, Clounthane, assisted by Michael Carson, Spike Island, and Patrick O'Donovan, Mary street, rescued Linehan soon after he had fallen into the river, but life then was extinct.

Death from asphyxia, due to drowning was also the verdict at the inquest on Julia Donovan, Henry street, Cork, whose body was recovered from the River Lee, at Cork, yesterday. She was aged about 73 years.

The death of Patrick Deedy, Kilra, Cloyne, who fell while clipping a hedge, was investigated at Cork County Home, yesterday. The evidence showed that deceased, while clipping a hedge, fell a couple of feet from a ladder, cutting his head.

Dr. A. Whelton said that the injury sustained was not the cause of death, which was due to nephritis and excessively high blood pressure.

A verdict in accordance with medical testimony was returned.

Two more Soviet officials were yesterday "released from their duties." They are MM. Gantman and Kogan, Assistant People's Commissars for the timber industry.

CITY CORPORATION SCHOLARSHIPS

BIG LIST OF WINNERS

The following scholarships have been awarded by Dublin Corporation for the session 1937-38:—

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Third Year Scholarships, value £20 each, to the following:—Agnew, John; Allen, Christopher; Boushel, John A.; Breen, Seamus C.; Coffey, Thomas P.; Dowd, Thomas D.; Finlay, Ian G.; Fitzharris, Patrick J.; Harris, Thomas; Leake, John; McCarthy, George A.; McLean, John; McPhillips, William R.; McQuaid, Edward; O'Brien, James; O'Broin, Daire; O'Donoghue, Brendan; O'Hanlon, Eamonn; O'Hanlon, Roderick J.; O'Mordha, Sean P.; O'Shea, Kevin; Turley, Thomas B.

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Fifth Year Scholarships, value £20 each, to the following:—Bailey, John; Colgan, Thomas P.; Coogan, Daniel; Davis, Michael B.; Fitzgerald, Noel H.; Gallagher, Patrick P.; Haughton, Sarah; Healy, Thomas F.; Houlihan, Colm J.; Baird, Robert; Lalor, James V.; Logan, Patrick; McCarthy, Kevin; Nolan, Patrick C.; Quinn, Kevin P.; Roche, Andrew O.; Salmon, Edward G.; Skelly, Dermot K.; Synnott, Sean; Vernon, Patrick J.

Approval was also given to the payment of withheld balances to the following who had complied with the regulations by passing the Leaving Certificate Examination:—

Third Year—Kane, John, £10; McAllister, Henry J., £10; O'Brughadha, Seamus, £10.

Fourth Year—Burgess, James O. P., £10; Davidson, Mary E., £10; Graham, Joseph G., £10; Kennedy, Brigid F., £10; McKenna, James B., £10; Morrissey, Donal C., £10; O'Cathmhaoil, Cecil C., £10; O'Colgain, Sean A., £10; O'Neill, Seamus, £10; Purcell, James O. F., £10; Wickham, Thomas P., £10.

Fifth Year—Balance, Thomas V., £6; Beat, James I., £6; Brophy, Matthew J., £6; Condron, William B., £6; Hayes, John R., £6; Kennan, Sean P., £6; Kernan, Gerald I., £6; McCann, Ronald, £6; McDermott, Dermot, £6; McGeown, Sean A., £6.

LABOUR NOTES

DUBLIN SOAP TRADE

BY OUR INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT.

About 300 Dublin soap trade workers, at a meeting held in the Irish Women Workers' Union Hall, 48 Fleet street, Dublin, last night, decided to take strike action. Employed in Messrs. Lever's factory, the Castle Forbes Works, Dublin, they are members of three trade unions—the Irish Seamen's and Port Workers' Union, the Irish Women Workers' Union, and the United Stationary Engine Drivers' Union. The latter body had already served a seven days' notice on the firm, but agreed to fall into line with the other unions, which favour fourteen days' notice. The notices are to be served to-day.

The Irish Women Workers' Union are claiming a wage increase of 5s. per week for the female workers, who at present have a wage of about 32s. per week, according to the statement of Miss L. Bennett, General Secretary, to the meeting.

Representatives of the Irish Seamen's and Port Workers' Union, including Mr. J. Ellis, General Secretary, explained that the men were seeking an increase of 10s. per week on their present wage of £3.

The United Stationary Engine Drivers' Union are seeking a wage of 87s. 6d. per week for their boilermen, and 70s. per week for their boilermen-trimmers.

All three unions are also seeking improved conditions.

DOCKERS' CLAIMS

The negotiations regarding deep-water dockers' conditions at the Port of Dublin will be continued again to-day. This will be the third meeting between the Irish Seamen's and Port Workers' Union and the Dublin Master Stevedores' Association since the holidays.

PLUMBERS' DISPUTE

Efforts will be made this afternoon to reach an understanding between the Saorstat Eireann Federation of Building Trade Employers, the Federation of Master Plumbers, and the Operative Plumbers', Glaziers' and Domestic Engineers' Union. The three-party conference is being held under the auspices of the Royal Institute of Architects of Ireland.

PANTOMIME ARTIST DIES

TAKEN ILL AFTER OPENING PERFORMANCES

Tommy Francis, the London comedian, who was playing the Dame in the pantomime, "Babes in the Wood," at Her Majesty's Theatre, Carlisle, died last night just before the final curtain of the show. He took part in the opening performances on Boxing Day, though he was not feeling well, and was afterwards found to be so seriously ill that he was removed to the Cumberland Infirmary.

His wife travelled from Keighley, where she was staying with their daughter, Eira Elva, the Principal Boy in "Aladdin" at the Hippodrome, Keighley.

Mrs. Francis stopped at his bedside for a day and a night.

When the news of his death was broken to the company by the manager they decided to give a Sunday night concert for the widow. Tommy Francis had played the Dame for many years in pantomime productions.

The Irish Times.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1937.

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FIVE GUINEAS to Solvers of Picture Puzzle. See Christmas Number of "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES." Now on Sale. 27 F

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SUPERIOR General, young, excellent references; Kingstown, Monkstown.—1834, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

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COW, superior Dairy Shorthorn Heifer, just calved; also two heavy Milkers.—Belcourt, Bray. 28 F

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BOARDING House, 22 beds, full running order, £1,600; splendid opportunity.—Arthur Jones, Stephen's Green. 29 A

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"AUCTION Sale"—Four 2 storey, modern Houses (in lots) in Tower avenue, off Brighton road, Rathgar, and McMorrough road, Harold's Cross road, near Brighton square; excellent investment property. "Executor's Sale." 26 E

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"AUCTION Sale"—Compact, red, bright House, 66 Richmond road, Drumcondra; diningroom, drawingroom (pretty mantlepiece), 3 bedrooms, bathroom, neat kitchen (with Terazzo floor), electricity heating. Open daily. 26 E

"AUCTION Sale"—"Algar," Dundrum road; neat, modern residence; 'bus route, just over Milltown Bridge; 6 apartments, bathroom, etc. For absolute Sale. Open daily. 26 E

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"AUCTION Sale"—Part cash will do for above lots, by previous arrangement with Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 26 E

AT Merton Drive, Ranelagh—Attractive, brick-built Houses, convenient to schools, churches and shopping centre; 2d. tram to city; price £1,175 to £1,300. Apply on site. 28 B

ADJOINING Leeson street—Splendid 12 roomed House, £1,350.—Arthur Jones, 10 Stephen's Green. 29 A

HOUSES AND LANDS (CONTINUED).

AT Blackrock—Grove avenue, near junction of Grove and Merrion avenues—Semi-detached Houses, all brick, 7 apartments, garage, good garden; low ground rent; price £950; deposit £150, balance out of income; free lease. 29 A

ATTRACTIVE, up-to-date, semi-detached House; 4 bedrooms; garage, fine garden; Mount Merrion, Blackrock.—D 1481, this office. 29 A

ATTRACTIVE, non-basement Residence, on 6 acres, South Co. Dublin, kitchen, gardens and steward's house let at £150; Furniture if required; price £3,600.—D 1478, this office. 29 A

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CASTLE avenue, Clontarf—Attractively designed, semi-detached Dwellinghouse; 3 reception, 4 bedrooms, garage; £1,125.—Albert MacArthur, "The Tousefinder." 23 E

CHOICE, modern Residence, Villiers road, Rathgar; 3 reception, 5 bedrooms, garage, £1,275; another fine House, Westfield road, Terenure, £1,150. Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

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DONNYBROOK—Attractive House—Three reception, five bedrooms, space garage. — D 1477, this office. 29 A

EATON square, Terenure—Comfortable, modern Dwellinghouse, £1,000; another, Hannaville Park, £850. Keys, Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

FREEHOLD, ground rent £36; new property; Sell, bargain.—Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

HANDSOME detached Residence, Cowper Drive; 3 reception, 5 bedrooms, £1,600; Palmerston Gardens, £1,300.—Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

KIMMAGE Road—Bargain, semi-detached, modern House, containing 2 reception, 4 bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom, garden, garage, electric light and gas. Price for quick Sale £675. Key with Agent, Thos. Dockrell, Sons and Co., Ltd., Auctioneers. 28 F

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LEESON Park—Two big Houses, excellent residences, suitable for flats, £1,250, £1,550; another large House, Belgrave square, Rathmines, £1,100; Grosvenor square, £1,075; Dartmouth square, £1,300; Leinster road, £1,175.—Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

NEAR Leeson Park Church—Excellent Family Residence; eight rooms, large garden; £1,100.—Browne and Dowse, 2 Dawson street.

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RED brick Residence, near Leeson street; 3 reception, 5 bedrooms, £1,300; another superior detached House, alongside Earlsfort terrace, £1,450.—Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

RAGLAN road—House, producing £243 yearly; bargain, £1,400; fine investment.—Albert MacArthur, "The Housefinder." 23 E

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SUPERIOR House, Rathmines; converted three flats, one occupied; garage.—D 1476, this office. 29 A

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55 MALAHIDE road, Clontarf, semi-detached; 4 bedrooms, 2 reception, garage; long lease, remission rates.—D 1450, this office. 29 E

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AT Sydney avenue, Blackrock—Two reception, three bedrooms, large garden, electric, gas; £96, inclusive.—D 1388, this office. 24 D

AT Chapelizod—Two reception, three bedrooms, kitchen, gas and electric, bathroom, garden front and rear, garage if required; £80, free.—Dunbar, Santa Rosa, Chapelizod. 28 F

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BALLSBRIDGE—Attractive House; two reception, three bedrooms, garage.—D 1474, this office. 29 A

HOUSES for Letting, Furnished and Unfurnished. Apply Prim Bros., 21 Dawson street. X

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A MODERN House Required in Dublin suburbs; 3 reception, 5 bedrooms; detached; good garden; must be choice situation; Foxrock preferred; full particulars.—D 1411, this office. 28 D

WANTED to Buy, detached, modern House, or Site for Building, Merrion road, Blackrock district. Address "Z 3313, House," this office. 27 D

WANTED, small House, Rathmines district, not more than £52 yearly.—D 1410, this office. 28 D

WANTED, House, Merrion square, preferably north side; state price and particulars. Address "Z 3317, House," this office. 28 F

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ABSOLUTELY self contained, luxuriously Furnished Flats from 30/-; electric light, constant hot water free.—Martin, Eglinton, Newgrove avenue, Sandymount. 28 F

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ATTRACTIVE, Stephen's Green, Flats and Offices to Let, adjoining Grafton street, all modern conveniences, from £100 free.—R. O. Jones and Son, Ltd., 138 Stephen's Green. 29 A

AT 44 Northumberland road—Vacancy for two or three business people; moderate. 29 A

BEST Unfurnished Flats; three rooms, kitchenette, bathroom, own halldoor, etc.; vicinity Raglan road, Leeson street Upper, Monkstown, Dundrum, Dunleary, Stephen's Green. Apply 114 Stephen's Green. 'Phone 51359. 29 A

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85 MERRION square—Basement Flat to Let; newly decorated; one large sittingroom, two bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom. Key on premises. 29 A

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GENTLEMAN requires comfortable Apartments, partial board; private house, South side.—D 1490, this office.

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SEASIDE AND COUNTRY.

APARTMENTS AND FLATS TO LET AND WANTED—SEASIDE AND COUNTRY

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FLAT, vacant, Dun Laoghaire, three rooms and kitchenette, furnished or unfurnished.—4 Corrig avenue.

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SELL CATTLE FAT

WHY NOT GROW BEANS

As time goes on there is an ever greater necessity for growing protein rich foods on the farm. At present we are altogether too dependent upon imported meals, like linseed, bean meal, coconut meal, and the various cakes, and there is no reason why we should be (says the "Free State Farmer"). For cattle-feeding, the portein rich foods we have are grass in the summer and hay in the winter, and the latter on most farms is not very rich and its use is limited.

If we were a little more up-to-date we would, undoubtedly, go after the cattle trade in better fashion, and, to do this, we should need to extend our cropping and grow more high-power foods. For years past we have been breeding store cattle which the Scot and Englishman fattened and make the greater part of the profits, while we had a very small profit offset by reduced land fertility, the absence of the subsidiary industries associated with the slaughter of cattle and a consequent restriction of the home market for other produce. In addition we were dependent on a hundred conditions abroad over which we had no control. A big outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease in England might wipe out our market for stores, whereas, if our cattle were fattened and killed here and exported dead, as we export bacon, we should be in a sheltered position.

For fattening, of course, the great foods are barley, wheat, oats, maize mixture, or what is called the cereal meals, but these are too low in protein particularly for fattening young and growing animals, and there is no doubt that the future will see more and more young cattle fattened, though perhaps not as baby beef. From what source should we supply these necessary proteins? Two methods suggest themselves. First, we could grow far more green foods like Kale, which is fairly high in protein, or vetches used green or as hay which are also a protein rich food. There are certain disadvantages as well as advantages in these crops, which will be obvious to most practical farmers, but, on the whole, they would pay. Just now English farmers are quite excited about dried grass as a food of this kind, but if the amount of interested boosting that grass drying receives were to disappear it might be less in the public eye. Ensilage is another attempt to retain the protein rich grass of summer for use in winter, but, in spite of all the theorists it has not yet reached a permanent place among farm foods.

On many farms where there is good deep soil the growing of beans would probably be the best proposition. They are easily grown; they leave the land rich in nitrogen for the succeeding crop; give a good yield of excellent and necessary feed, and can be harvested, threshed and milled with the existing machinery.

BIG GAME ANGLING TROPHIES

Some very handsome trophies are being fashioned in Sydney in connection with the big game angling competitions to be held there next year. The £500 trophy for the heaviest game fish caught in specially fine, consisting of a model of a motor fishing boat with the angler "in action," so to speak, mounted on a pediment, the supporters of which are black marlin, striped marlin sword-fish and blue-nose shark. What might be called "the fish motif" is also introduced into the minor trophies as well.

SHAH'S DREAM COMES TRUE

NEW TRANS-IRAN RAILWAY

FROM CASPIAN SEA TO PERSIAN GULF

WITH the completion this month of the last tunnel through the Luristan mountain barrier, in South Iran, the cherished ambition of Reza Shah Pahlevi, progressive ruler of Iran, to build a railway from the Caspian Sea to the Persian Gulf enters the final stage of achievement.

Construction of the Trans-Iranian Railway is part of the Shah's general scheme to modernise his country. The Shah has, meanwhile, ordered a palatial saloon car, decorated in silver and gold, for his inaugural journey on the railway, which is due to be completed in May, 1938. Apart from its strategic value, the line will promote the development of Iran's rich natural resources, and will give improved communication with the South Iranian oilfields.

The railway will connect Teheran, the capital, with the rest of Iran, and the outside world. Its length will be 808 miles, and the total cost £30,000,000, raised largely from State royalties on oil. Work has begun in 1927, and the route was subdivided into twenty-five "lots," which were let out on contract.

ROMANCE OF "LOT 7"

To Richard Costain, Ltd., of London, was allocated one of the most formidable tasks of the gigantic undertaking, which compares in difficulty of construction with the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway through the Rocky Mountains.

"Lot 7" was the unromantic official title of the £1,000,000 task of carrying the railway through part of the southern "Canyon section." An official of the company said in an interview: "The section consists largely of a series of tunnels piercing mountains 6,000 feet high, and throughout this formidable area the railway crosses and re-crosses the torrential Ab-I-Cesar River, which we have bridged with a series of stone viaducts.

TROPICAL HEAT

"Our chief agent for 'Lot 7' is a Scottish engineer, Mr. H. M. Stewart, who controls a staff of ten British experts and 3,000 local workmen.

"Great difficulties have been encountered and overcome. Working in a barren and almost uninhabited region, with summer temperatures of 112 degrees Fahrenheit, and even higher, the British staff have had to acquire and train large forces of unskilled labour. Moreover, the British staff have had to retire to the hills at regular intervals to recover from exhaustion brought on by the heat.

"To assure an adequate flow of supplies and materials to the site, it was necessary to build service roads for motor truck traffic. These had to be cut in precipitous gorges and mountain sides, where the danger of landslides and loose rock added to our problems.

"We are now putting the finishing touches to our task, which is due to end in February."

RAIL-CAR TRAVEL

More than half of the whole railway is now completed. The line between Teheran and Bandar Shah, on the Caspian Sea, was recently opened to traffic, as well as a section from the newly-built port of Bandar Shahpur, on the Persian Gulf, to some thirty miles north of Dizful, where the "Canyon section" begins.

Owing to the proximity of the South Iranian oilwells, it is proposed to use Diesel-engined electric railcars, as well as oil-fired locomotives, on the whole of the route.

The Shah's saloon car, which is being built in Germany, consists of seven rooms decorated in silver and gold. The furnishings include a silver-screened radio set, a table inlaid with precious metals, a gold-dialled telephone and large rosewood-framed windows for observation purposes.

TOURS WORTH CONTINUING

So successful have been the tours of parties of schoolboys and schoolgirls from Southern Rhodesia to this country that arrangements are now almost complete for a schoolgirls' visit to England, arriving on April 13th next year. Most of the girls will be about 16 or 17 years old, and will be in charge of three school-mistresses. The tour will, as on previous occasions, be under the auspices of the Victoria League while in England.

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